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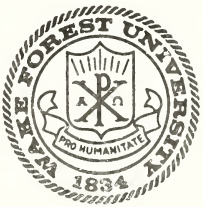

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MINUTES

OF THE

Eighty-eighth Annual Session

OF THE

Liberty Baptist Association

HELD WITH

THE BAPTIST CHURCH

at Churchland

September, 6th and 7th, 1921

OFFICERS

Moderator, R. S. Green.....Thomasville, N. C.
Vice Moderator, C. M. Wall.....Lexington, N. C.
Clerk & Treasurer, Archibald Johnson.....Thomasville, N. C.

Place, Time and Preacher for Next Session

Place—Summerville
Time—Tuesday after the first Sunday in September
Preacher—Frank Hare

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SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION APPORTIONMENTS

Abbotts Creek	$600	a year	or	$3000.00
Center Hill	400	a year	or	2000.00
Churchland	600	a year	or	3000.00
Denton	600	a year	or	3000.00
Erlanger	600	a year	or	3000.00
Gravel Hill	200	a year	or	1000.00
Holloways	400	a year	or	2000.00
Huldah	100	a year	or	500.00
Jersey	600	a year	or	3000.00
Lexington	2000	a year	or	10000.00
Liberty	400	a year	or	2000.00
Lick Creek	600	a year	or	3000.00
New Friendship	200	a year	or	1000.00
Oak Grove	100	a year	or	500.00
Oak Hill	100	a year	or	500.00
Orphanage	1100	a year	or	5500.00
Reeds	400	a year	or	2000.00
Rich Fork	200	a year	or	1000.00
Smith Grove	200	a year	or	1000.00
Stoners Grove	800	a year	or	4000.00
Summerville	200	a year	or	1000.00
Taylors Grove	100	a year	or	500.00
Thomasville	1200	a year	or	6000.00
Wallburg	800	a year	or	4000.00
Walters Grove	100	a year	or	500.00
Welcome	200	a year	or	1000.00

MINUTE FUND APPORTIONMENT

Abbotts Creek	$5.00
Center Hill	2.00
Churchland	5.00
Denton	5.00
Erlanger	3.00
Gravel Hill	2.00
Holloways	4.00
Huldah	1.50
Jersey	5.00
Lexington	10.00
Liberty	3.00
Lick Creek	3.00
New Friendship	4.00
Oak Grove	2.00
Oak Hill	1.00
Orphanage	8.00
Reeds	5.00
Rich Fork	4.00
Smith Grove	3.00
Stoners Grove	5.00
Summerville	2.50
Taylor's Grove	1.00
Thomasville	8.00
Wallburg	5.00
Walters Grove	1.00
Welcome	2.00
Total	$100.00

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Eighty-eighth Annual Session of the Liberty Baptist Association

Churchland, N. C., Sept. 6, 1921.

The 88th session of the Liberty Baptist Association convened with the church at Churchland on Tuesday, September 6, 1921. Devotional exercises were conducted by J. S. Hardaway. Moderator R. S. Green called the body to order and the following messengers enrolled:

Abbotts Creek—D. S. Hayworth, Lee Charles, N. R. Teague.
Center Hill—Walter J. Beck, Hugh L. Miler, John F. Jarrett.
Churchland—R. K. Williams, W. H. Barnes, Mrs. J. N. Penninger, Mrs. S. E. Penninger.
Erlanger—W. H. Brown, J. L. Hembree.
Gravel Hill—Represented by letter.
Holloways—B. R. Cross, H. L. Crook, Thos. G. Briggs.
Jersey—D. C. Sharpe, Fred C. Sowers, Oliver Tate.
Lexington—G. F. Hankins, G. W. Miller, J. D. Holt.
Liberty—A. S. Miller, O. F. Hughes.
Oak Grove—C. A. King, Ben Johnson, Ash Johnson.
Oak Hill—Represented by letter.
Orphanage—C. L. Millsaps, H. A. Helms.
Reeds—J. H. Ferebee, J. A. Myers.
Rich Fork—Stimp Everhart, Robert Bowers, Thos. H. Small.
Smith Grove—G. A. Clement, R. H. Beck.
Stoners Grove—L. C. Lomax.
Southside—Nathaniel Clodfelter.
Summerville—Locke Grubb, R. A. Grubb.
Thomasville—R. S. Green, Archibald Johnson.
Wallburg—G. W. Wall.
Walters Grove—J. T. Pierce.
Welcome—E. S. Craver.
New Friendship—A. P. Snyder, A. J. Hartman.

The association proceeded to elect its officers, which resuted in the election by acclamation of R. S. Green for moderator and of C. M. Wall for vice-moderator.

M. E. Cotten, representing the Anti-Saloon League and S. F. Conrad representing the Biblical Recorder were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body.

Under the head of miscellaneous business, the association requested the pastors to take a collection in their churches to pay the way of our representative to the meeting of the State Mission Board and for other contingent expenses.

The following order of business was adopted:

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

9:30—Devotional exercises.
10:00—Enrollment of messengers and election of officers.
10:30—Miscellaneous business.
10:50—Woman's Work.
11:30—Biblical Recorder.
12:00—Temperance.

Afternoon

2:30—Ministers' Relief.
3:30—Orphanage.
4:30—Miscellaneous business.

Evening

7:30—Annual sermon.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

9:30—Devotional exercises.
10:00—Sunday schools.
10:30—State, Home and Foreign Missions.

Afternoon

2:00—Report of Executive Committee.
3:00—Education.
4:00—State of the churches.

The report on Woman's Work was read by J. L. Shinn as follows:

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION.

The Liberty association is composed of twenty-six churches. Twelve of these have a W. M. U. and junior auxiliaries. The following comparisons are interesting. They mean much. Study them and draw your own conclusions.

	12 churches with a W. M. U. and auxiliaries	14 churches without a W. M. U. and auxiliaries	
	1918-19		
Finance	$38,702.94	$4,549.38	$43,252.32
S. S. Students	2,027	840	2,868
Baptisms	134	54	188
	1919-20		
Finances	$32,004.75	$8,069.49	$40,074.24
S. S. Students	2,536	969	3,505
Baptisms	128	119	247

Your committee has no report for 1920-21, but is sure the same ratio obtains. Wherever there is a live W. M. U. and junior auxiliaries you will find a working church. It is recommended that where there is no W. M. U. and junior auxiliaries the sisters organize at an early date that they may catch the inspiration and enthusiasm which comes by united study and work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. SHINN.

A report from the W. M. U. of the association was read by the president, Mrs. R. S. Green, as follows:

REPORT OF W. M. U.

The W. M. U. of the Liberty Association wishes to present to the general association the following facts and figures representing the results of their labors during the past year:

The Woman's Missionary societies have contributed for the year to all objects $5,260.16. The Sunbeams' total contributions are $169.02. The Girls Auxiliaries have given $53.08. The one Royal Ambassador band has given $14.11. This makes a total of $5,496.37. Subtracting from this $1,246.65 contributed to other objects than those embraced in the 75 million campaign, a total of $4,250.72 has been contributed to the different campaign objects by all the societies in the association. No doubt the women have failed to keep strict records in all the churches of everything they have given.

Four new junior societies have been organized during the year, besides one revived. Of the 26 churches in the association twelve have Woman's Missionary Societies. We feel that the help of the pastors in the other 14 churches is greatly needed to enlist them in the same work and we believe that every church will feel the stimulus if they will get the women organized and at work. We pray for the help and encouragement of our brethren in this work and the superintendent and others will gladly co-operate with any who are interested in organizing the women in our unorganized churches.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. S. GREEN, Associational Supt.

Pending the adoption of these reports remarks were made by J. L. Shinn, R. E. White and J. S. Hardaway and they were adopted.

W. A. Hough, the new pastor on the Denton field, was introduced.

The report on Biblical Recorder was read by G. W. Miller as follows:

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER.

There is no agency in our denomination that means more to the efficiency and success of our work than the Biblical Recorder. Not making invidious comparisons, but we would be unable to at all function in the various departments of our work without it. Our mission boards, our schools and colleges—yea, our pastors and churches—would utterly fail to accomplish their work without the Biblical Recorder.

What the circulation of the blood does for our bodies, the Biblical Recorder does for our Baptist denomination. It feeds, renews, and keeps alive and in working order, every organ of our religious system.

How important is it then, that this one vital agency of our church life, should have our most serious attention. It must be kept at a one hundred per cent standard. During the war, and

seemingly more, during this period of adjustment through which we are now passing, our papers have suffered from the effects of the abnormal conditions; but now the time is here for us as a great denomination, to give some attention to our religious papers, and put them on a solid foundation.

Heretofore we have acted on the theory that the Biblical Recorder must assist to its utmost capacity all of our denominational interests ,and at the same time, take care of its own financial conditions. When we employ a secretary or an enlistment man, we pay them a salary—when we send out a missionary or an evangelist, we pay them a salary—but we call upon the Recorder to print hundreds of pages of missionary and evangelistic literature, and never suppose or think of a question of pay. I am not trying to inject an innovation in our policy—I am just calling our attention to some facts. It seems to your committee that there must be a change in some way; there must be a greater and more effective support given to our church papers.

How is it to be done? This report may not be a solution of the problem, but the problem must be solved. Our church papers must have the full support of our churches. Pastors, laymen, W. M. S., and Sunday schools must stand by, and support the Recorder, just as we support the Orphanage and our mission boards. Nothing less than this will meet the requirements of the present situation.

The qualifications of an ideal church member, is that he should be a supporter of, and a contributor to, all the interests of the kingdom of God. No man who does not support his church paper, can claim to be an efficient church member—he may be all right as to his moral life—but he is not informed or equipped for his best service in the Lord's work. Our attitude then, toward this agency of our Master's kingdom—an agency without which we cannot hope to attain success—must be that every pastor and every church shall give their utmost support to the Biblical Recorder, until it shall be placed in every Bapitst home in North Carolina.

The report was discussed by G. W. Miller, S. F. Conrad, and J. D. Newton and was adopted.

The following resolution on temperance was offered:

RESOLUTION.

The ravages of the illicit sale of liquor are plainly in evidence within the bounds of this association. Murder, gambling, strife, contention, bitterness, the tragic fruits of bootlegging, keep our courts busy and disgrace our community. This association hereby places itself on record as in hearty sympathy with the Anti-Saloon League in its effort to enforce the law and drive the traffic out of our country, and put the violators of the law behind the bars where they belond.

We earnestly request our General Assembly to so amend

our state laws as to make them conform to the constitution of the United States and the Volstead Enforcement Code.

Pending its adoption addresses were delivered by M. E. Cotten, M. L. Kesler and J. A. Combs. The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

Finance—G. W. Miller and J. D. Lookabill.

Committee to nominate executive committee—B. R. Cross, R. K. Williams, J. L. Shinn.

Committee to nominate place and preacher for next meeting—M. L. Kesler, C. M. Wall, Z. T. Sharpe.

Afternoon

The association opened with prayer by J. L. Shinn. The report on Ministers' Relief was read by C. M. Wall, and was as follows:

REPORT ON MINSITERIAL RELIEF

The minister who has come to his day of retirement, or who, for any reason has become disabled, is in every way worthy of our sympathy, prayer and financial support. The same thing is true of their widows and orphan children. These men and women are faithful to God and a worthy cause, in the midst of the greatest sacrifices in laying the foundation for the work of Christ in this state, and surely they should receive our support in their declining years. Other Christian organizations are far ahead of us in this department of work, and in the dscharge of the Christian obligation. Numerous business and worldly institutions care for their old and faithful employees. We should not only endeavor to follow the lead of such Christian and worldly institutions, but we should furnish these old heroes of our faith the support they so richly deserve.

The convention board, located in Dallas, known as the Relief and Annuity Board, has taken over the work of the states. The aim of this board is to give relief and comfort to the disabled ministers, as well as those who have grown old in the service, and have come to their day of need and retirement, and to their families such aid as their circumstances demand, and as their financial condition will allow.

The board now has a beneficiary list of about seven or eight hundred. Others are being added from month to month. The allowances of the beneficiaries have, in the most part, been increased from 40 per cent to 60 per cent and in some instances, as much as 100 per cent. We are just beginning to know what we can do, and what we should do. However, our aim should be to say to our ministers in active service today, "Give yourself wholeheartedly to work, spend yourself freely; we do not pay you just the salaries that we should; but this we do, we solemnly promise to stand back of you. If you fall in the work we will care for you. If you die we will not allow your family to suffer. If you grow old in it we will comfort your declining years."

Just that should be our attitude to the ministerial profession. Your committee earnestly recommends that a Christmas offering be taken each year for the purpose of ministerial relief.

C. M. WALL.

Pending its adoption the report was discussed by C. M. Wall and S. F. Conrad, after which it was adopted.

Report on Orphanage was read by J. C. Gillespie. The report follows:

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE.

The first child was received into the orphanage November 11, 1885. The last one enrolled this year runs the number up to 2038. At present there are 531 children in the orphanage, 85 of whom are in the Kennedy Home. The number of applications for the year was 724, the number received 63. The annual cost per child is about $214.02. This does not include building and repairs.

The Kennedy Home is situated in Lenoir county, 6 miles from Kinston. Three dormitories have been built there and the 85 children of the Kennedy Home occupy them. During the life time of Mr. Kennedy the orphanage pays a rental of $2,000 for the farm. After paying the rent there was a profit last year of $5000.

There are 45 women and 19 men who devote all their time to the institution. The expense bill averages over $200 daily.

The industrial side of the institution is very interesting. Charity and Children, as the organ of the orphanage, is the right arm of the institution. The business of the job department has been considerably increased. Twelve boys are employed in this department for half their time. Profits from Charity and Children and the job department last year, after all expenses were met, was $2,177.11.

The sewing room uses about 20 girls in the forenoon and 20 in the afternoon. They learn to make their own clothes and look well in them.

The dining room and kitchen are managed by two ladies and about 45 girls. Then in addition to the wholesale cooking in the big kitchen, work is carried on in domestic science and so cooking is placed among the fine arts.

The laundry force consists of about 40 girls, 20 on duty in the forenoon and 20 in the afternoon. Some 8000 pieces are handled each week.

The shoe shop turns out about 600 pairs of shoes annually and each shoe goes back to the shop for repairs three times on an average during its existence.

Then the orphanage owns a farm, 175 acres of which are in cultivation. A large part of this is devoted to trucking and raising feed for cattle. The boys do a large part of the work. Two colored men, however, are employed to do the very heavy work. Eight mules are scarcely enough to do the team work.

The boys run the mower, disc plow, disc harrow, plow, and it often happens that up to 50 are handling the hoes. The net profits last year were $6,078.98.

The herd of Holstein cattle numbers 35 milk cows, with a growing number of young heifers coming on. They are tested regularly for tuberculosis. The daily output is about 100 gallons.

The schools, too, are in a sense industrial in that the children go to school half the day and work the other half. In the school work special efforts are made to cultivate the fine taste in the children in drawing, fancy needlework, cutivation of flowers of their own, etc. Music is taught daily.

We recommend:

First: That all our churches and people make a liberal Thanksgiving offering to the orphanage.

Second: That the more than 60 per cent of our Sunday schools who do not now take a club of Charity and Children be urged to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. C. GILLESPIE.

The report was discussed by J. C. Gillespie, M. L. Kesler and C. M. Wall and was adopted.

The recommitted report on survey, brought over from last session, was submitted with a few minor amendments by R. E. White. The report follows:

TO THE LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

Dear Brethren:

We the undersigned committee appointed at the last session of the association to recommend a plan for the formation of the churches of the association into permanent compact pastorates beg to submit the following report:

1. We wish to emphasize the fact, which ought to be self-evident, that we as a committee and the association as a body have no authority nor is it proposed to exercise any in this matter nor have we any disposition to dictate to the churches as to the conduct of their work. We understand fully that we were appointed to recommend a plan for the formation of the churches into pastorates. And even if this report is unanimously adopted by the association it will simply be in the nature of a recommendation that as rapidly as possible the churches be formed into pastorates in accordance with the plan proposed. But let it be distinctly understood that no group of churches is to be organized into a field or pastorate until after each church, acting in its sovereign individual capacity, shall have agreed to the arrangement.

2. But it is distinctly advised and is the profound conviction of your committee that the proposed plan for the formation of the churches into compact fields or pastorates after it shall have been thoroughly discussed by the association and adopted and

ratified by the individual action of the churches shall not be temporary and provisional but (subject to changes which cannot be foreseen nor controlled) shall be adopted as the permanent policy of the association. That is to say, we would recommend that the churches in acting upon this matter of the formation of a pastorate shall mutually and severally agree in advance in entering into the arrangement that (except in the event of some exigency arising which could not be foreseen and which in the nature of the case necessitates a different course of action) they will unite in calling the same man as pastor and that in the event of the necessity arising for a change of pastors on the part of any one of the churches composing the field the pastor shall resign the whole field. We believe that this is a most vital feature of the plan and it is indispensable to its successful operation.

3. If this report (after such modifications as the association may deem wise) shall be adopted, then we recommend that the executive committee be instructed to secure some brother (preferably one who will volunteer his services without remuneration) as a special enlistment worker to correspond with the churches, and by personal visitation, seek as rapidly as possible to induce them to enter into the proposed arrangement. We recommend that the actual expense incurred in carrying out this plan be provided for by the committee through voluntary contributions for this specific purpose from the churches.

4. We have given careful consideration to the matter which was referred to us for the past year and according to our best judgment we believe the following arrangement of pastorates is the logical one so far as we can see at present.

It will be seen that we have been governed in our recommendation by what we conceive to be the logical grouping of the churches irrespective of any existing arrangement.

Pastorate No. 1—Lexington and Rich Fork.

Pastorate No. 2—Thomasville, Orphanage and Southside.

Pastorate No. 3—Denton, Liberty, Gravel Hill and Walter's Grove.

Pastorate No. 4—Stoner's Grove, Holloways and Center Hill.

Pastorate No. 5—Churchland and Smith Grove.

Pastorate No. 6—Erlanger, Reeds and Welcome.

Pastorate No. 7—Wallburg, New Friendship, Oak Grove and Abbotts Creek.

Pastorate No. 8—Jersey, Lick Creek, Taylor's Grove and Summerville.

It will be seen from this arrangement that we provided for eight centers as follows: Lexington, Thomasville, Denton, Southmont, Churchland, Erlanger, Wallburg and Linwood. We have at present six of these points occupied by a resident pastor, but we have no assurance of a continuation of this arrangement. We ought to have all eight centers with a resident pastor occupy-

ing a parsonage owned by the churches jointly. We ought also to have a monthly conference of these pastors.

We feel that if this plan or a better one can be put into execution and successfully operated it will add immeasurably to the effectivenes of the work of the churches.

Respectfully submitted this the 6th day of September, 1921.

R. E. WHITE,
P. L. FEEZOR,
G. C. PALMER.

And a full and ample discussion by various members of the body the paper was adopted as the permanent policy of the association.

The committee on nomination of executive committee made the following nominations: Archibald Johnson, G. Foster Hankins, C. M. Wall, John N. Myers, S. E. Warford and R. S. Green, ex-officio. These nominations were confirmed by the body.

J. M. Bennett, a former pastor of Churchland church, now of the Mecklenburg and Carbarrus association, June Carter, of Waughtown, and Roy Carter, of Rosemary, were welcomed to seats in the body.

After announcement by the entertainment committee a song by the choir and prayer by J. C. Gillespie the association adjourned.

Evening

The evening service was devoted to the annual sermon which was preached by M. L. Kesler from Phil. 1:27 and 3:20, the subject of the sermon being "Heavenly Citizenship."

Wednesday Morning.

Devotional exercises were conducted by J. C. Gillespie, and the association was called to order by the moderator.

Minutes of previous day were read and approved. The report on Sunday schools was read by G. Foster Hankins, and was as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

In looking back over the minutes of the association for 1919, I find that the Sunday school membership was 2900 for this association, properly officered. In 1920 I find that the membership of the Sunday schools for the association was 3314 with two churches showing no report, indicating that there was no Sunday school organization in these two churches. I find further that the report for 1919 and for 1920 shows that the Sunday schools which were organized were operated and held sessions for twelve months of the year.

The growth between 1919 and 1920 is very encouraging and shows that our people have begun to realize the importance of the church members affiliation with the Sunday school. Yet, there are great numbers of church members who do not attend

the Sunday school, and the fact that in this association there could be two churches with no Sunday school report for this association in the year 1920, should give us food for serious consideration.

We are fond of boasting that the Bible is the light which has led us into the fullness of the civilization which we enjoy today, and as members of the church of Jesus, we point with pride to the wonderful growth of truth and light.

There is no known way for us church members, and for the growing generation and the generations yet to come, to know what is the true will of our Father except through His revealed word. The Sunday school is therefore the very heart of the church because it is the school from which every member gets his information and knowledge for life and growth.

We cannot lay too much stress upon the importance of the Sunday school and its work, and our association should begin to take advanced steps for the promotion and growth of the Sunday school until we have in every church a Sunday school with every member of the school a member of the church and every member of the church an attendant of the Sunday school.

I, therefore, recommend to this association that we put into the field, either voluntarily or under a salary, a man who shall give the time necessary to visit each of our Sunday schools at least once a year, and to organize and stimulate the Sunday school activities where needed.

G. F. HANKINS.

Pending its adoption it was discussed by G. Foster Hankins, S. F. Conrad and J. D. Newton. The report was adopted.

Carrying out one of the recommendations in the report on motion of J. S. Hardaway, a committee on extension of the Sunday school work of the association was appointed consisting of G. Foster Hankins, chairman, Archibald Johnson and Hubert Olive.

Robert L. Lemons, pastor of First Baptist church of Salisbury was introduced and welcomed to a seat in the body; also W. A. Stoker, of the South Yadkin association. Reports on state, home and foreign missions were read by J. S. Hardaway, Archibald Johnson and M. L. Kesler, and were discussed by J. S. Hardaway, M. L. Kesler and R. L. Lemons. The reports follow:

REPORT OF STATE MISSIONS

The work of state missions is fundamental. When we evangelize our own state, healing its waste places, strengthening weak churches, and planting churches at strategic points, we are better able to give the gospel to those outside our borders.

Aggressive home and foreign mission work rests largely upon efficient state mission work.

The history of state missions in North Carolina is the his-

tory of the growth and development of the Baptist churches in the state. Many of our strongest and most useful churches in the state were once missions of our state board of missions. Now they are able promoters of the work that once fostered them.

The especial feature of our state mission work at this time is the statewide evangelistic campaign known as the "Every One Win One" week to be put on by the churches during the month of September. This is a part of the 75 million campaign, and the effort is south-wide. The board of missions at Raleigh decided heartily to enter this effort. It can be made a great success, or it can prove to be a great failure. It is to be hoped that the churches of the Liberty association will enter prayerfully and earnestly into this evangelistic effort, and that the Lord will pour out his blessings upon us.

Respectfully submitted,

J. S. HARDAWAY.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

For seventy-six years the Home Mission Board has been doing a mighty work among Southern Baptists. It is our only great interstate missionary organization and is a fine illustration of Baptist co-operation.

Co-operative missions is carried on in all of the states except South Carolina and Georgia. In these states we have co-operative enlistment work which is next to co-operative missions. It is a work done jointly by the Home Mission Board and the various state boards with the appointment and direction of workers largely left in the hands of the state boards.

From Dr. Gray's recent article in the Home and Foreign Fields he gives the remarkable statement that the Home Mission Board has helped weak churches in every capital of the south except Frankfort, Kentucky and in almost every city of any size. But its principal work is in the smaller growing towns and country.

In the changing conditions of our country life we must go with greater forces of men and money. In the country lies the greatest numerical strength of Baptists and yet here is found our greatest weakness in point of efficiency. In the years of the past once-a-month preaching seemed to suffice and is a measure met the demands of pioneer mission work, but not so now.

The 75 million campaign wonderfully enlarged the home mission task and among some of the notable achievemnets are: (1) Completion of our Million Dollar Church Building Loan Fund; (2) Erection of $400,000 tuberculosis sanatorium in El Paso and the founding of a general hospital in New Orleans; (3) The enlargement and better equipment of our 37 mountain schools; (4) Strengthening of our work among the foreigners, Indians and ten million negroes in our land.

At the annual meeting in June, 1920, the work was laid out

on a basis of 100 per cent increase over any previous year. The urgent and compelling needs of the fields along with the success of the 75 million campaign made possible this vastly enlarged program. At this time cotton was selling around 40 cents the pound but in less than half a year it was near ten cents. Heavy obligations had already been assumed and could not be cast aside. The board began retrenching in every way possible but in spite of this had to report a debt of $727,622.00 to the Southern Baptist Convention. The board is in urgent need of funds to meet the current expense and help lessen the debt.

Respectfully submitted,

F. B. HAMRICK, For the Committee.

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT.

Foreign missions calls forth more Christian impulses and effort than can be aroused by any other single enterprise. Never before were there so many wide open doors inviting the gospel.

Some facts:

1. The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has 417 missionaries under appointment from America, not including a great number of native preachers and workers.

2. The board has on the foreign fields 49,659 church members, 542 churches, 11,148 outstations; 6,834 converts were baptized during 1919; 155 churches are self-supporting.

3. Since the 75 million campaign was projected, we have sent out 104 missionaries, and 4 others are under appointment.

4. We have 10 theological schools, with 345 students enrolled; 544 schools, including colleges and schools of lower grade, with 18,169 students enrolled.

5. We have 16 hospital buildings and 14 dispensaries. During the last convention year, 16 foreign physicians and 9 native physicians administered 205,098 treatments in these hospitals.

6. We have 6 publishing house sand 7 denominational papers on the foreign field.

7. The 417 missionaries are distributed as follows: China, 221; Africa, 24; Italy, 2; Brazil, 112; Mexico, 12; Japan, 20; Argentina, 19 Chile, 7.

8. The Foreign Mission Board has lately accepted responsibility for work in Spain, Jugo-Slavia, Hungary, Roumania, Southern Russia, Siberia, and Palestine and Syria. These fields are being organized for great evangelistic campaigns and for the training of Christian workers.

Some needs:

1. The Foreign Mission Board needs at once 100 new missionaries and 400 during the next four years. Along with these should go evangelists, teachers and nurses for the hospitals.

2. All this calls for an increasing number of homes for missionaries and church buildings. Land is needed for missionary

compounds, church buildings, lots and hospital sites.

3. The enlarging of the work in old and established centers and the vast new territory opened up call for such giving as southern Baptists have not known heretofore. At the meeting of the board last October more than three million dollars were appropriated to the enlargement and the expansion of foreign mission work. If this program is carried out every Baptist in the south must greatly enlarge his gifts.

M. L. KESLER, For Committee.

The reports were adopted.

The association took a recess with benediction by S. F. Conrad.

Afternoon

The association opened with prayer by J. S. Hardaway. Hubert Olive addressed the body explaining the meaning and mission of the North Carolina Baptist Foundation.

The report of the executive committee was read by the chairman of that committee and pending its adoption was discussed by him, and by R. E. White, J. S. Hardaway and M. L. Kesler. The report follows:

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT AND REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES

The Denton field has secured Rev. W. A. Hough as pastor and the churches make a good report.

The Southmont field has had a good year. Stoners Grove, Center Hill and Holloways compose this field. Rev. J. C. Gillespie, who preaches at Erlanger, is also pastor at Reeds.

The Wallburg field, having had no pastor since the resignation of Rev. C. G. Kirksey, has recured no appropriation from the state board of missions this year. Rev. Frank Hare is now on the field and no doubt an appropriation will be asked for the coming year.

The Churchland church is without a pastor, Rev. J. T. Gillespie having resigned to enter the seminary. In view of the fact that this church supplies preaching for the student body of the school at this place the executive committee would earnestly urge the co-operation of the association in securing a suitable man for this important church.

Rev. C. E. Crissman is pastor at Southside and making satisfactory progress. Some valuable additions to its membership have been made within the past few months.

Some of our churches have paid their pledges to the 75 milion fund, but we are sorry to report others which sadly failed to measure up to their obligation. The following churches report their pledges paid in full: Churchland, Lexington, Orphanage, Rich Fork, Thomasville and Welcome. Twenty churches fell below the mark, some of them very far below it.

The attention of the pastors is called to this alarming situation. Our yearly apportionment is $12,800 and the churches report this year only $9726.23, leaving a deficit for the year of $3073.77.

During the year 615 have been added to the churches gainst 413 last year.

The year has been a good one and we look with hope and faith to the year to come. Rev. W. A. Hough, of Denton, and Rev. Frank Hare are strong additions to our ministry.

The report was adopted.

The report on education was read by W. A. Hough, which follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

Trained leadership is one of the crying needs of our Baptist churches. Without it we shall not achieve the most, the highest, the best. Our leaders have long felt this need and have given their best in effort to build and equip a system of Christian schools adequate to meet this need. As a result we have three colleges and some fifteen secondary schools under the control of our state convention that are second to none in the country. From these "power houses" must come those who are to be our denominational leaders. To keep abreast with the ever increasing demands for efficiency and growth in all phases of church activity we must look to these Christian schools for trained leaders.

But before these noble and necessary institutions can fill this much needed mission of supplying trained leaders, there must be a more hearty and enthusiastic spirit of co-operation and support on the part of the masses in our churches. Truly the day has come when Baptists must see the necessity and enphasize the training of its constituency. We would emphasize and recommend a more liberal and hearty support of our denominational schools. Give more liberally of money to equip and endow them in order that they may be able to keep pace with secular schools and the demands of the day. In contributing money here we are aiding every phase of kingdom development. A dollar given here is foundational and almost unbounded in its ultimate achievement.

Then, too, we would emphasize the need of giving Baptist schools the preference when you are deciding on a school for your boy or girl.

Our schools and colleges not only need endowment and financial aid but before they can train workers they must have boys and girls to train.

If you want your boy or girl to mean most to your denominational life and development given them the advantage of what our Baptist schools and colleges offer.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HOUGH.

Pending its adoption the report was discussed by Frank Hare, G. Foster Hankins and S. F. Conrad. The committee on place and preacher recommended Summerville as the place of next meeting and Frank Hare to preach the annual sermon, with W. A. Hough as his alternate. The report of the committee was adopted.

The Finance Committee reported $49.15 received for printing the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

For minutes and clerk	$80.00
State, Home and Foreign Missions	$21.13
	$101.13

The moderator appointed the following brethren to prepare reports for next session:

Biblical Recorder—J. C. Gillespie.
Orphanage—C. M. Wall.
Woman's Work—J. S. Hardaway.
State of Churches—G. W. Miller.
Sunday Schools—Archibald Johnson.
Education—G. Foster Hankins.
State Missions—J. L. Shinn.
Home Missions—M. L. Kesler.
Minister's Relief—V. M. Swaim.
Foreign Missions—W. A. Hough.

R. S. Green was appointed to represent the association at the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention in Jacksonville, Fla. D. F. Conrad was selected to represent the association at the Baptist State Convention at its meeting in Rocky Mount.

A. C. Hamby of the State Mission Board arrived too late to discuss the report on state missions when it was before the body, but was given time to tell of the work of the board.

The following resolution was offered and heartily adopted:

Resolved, That our most hearty thanks be extended to the Churchland church and the good people of this community for their cordial hospitality and splendid entertainment during the sessions of this body.

After the singing of God Be With You Till We Meet Again, and benediction by J. M. Bennett, the association adourned to meet at Summerville on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1922.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON, Clerk.
R. S. GREEN, Moderator.

Proceedings of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

The fifteenth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association was held in the Churchland Baptist church, Thursday, August 25, 1921.

The meeting was called to order by the associational superintendent. The hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus Name", was sung in opening.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. R. S. Green, who read the parable of the talents from Matt. 25, and brought the truth that each one has some talent that may be consecrated to the Master's service. Mrs. M. L. Kesler led the prayer that followed.

Some words of welcome to the visitors were spoken by Mrs. W. A. Beeker, president of the society at Churchland, and responded to by Miss Eunice Ward, of Denton.

A large number of delegates and visitors were present from all the societies in the association, except two, Abbotts Creek and Rich Fork, and Abbotts Creek reported by letter.

All the junior organizations were reported either by delegates or letter. Three new Girls' Auxiliaries, one Royal Ambassador, and one Sunbeam were reported.

The superintendent then read her annual address, reviewing the organized work of the women and children in the association, and making some comparisons of the work in its incipiency with the past year, and looking toward far greater things in the future with the continued co-operation and unity of spirit that has been manifested in the past. This was followed by the hymn, "Onward Christian Soldiers."

The associational Standard of Excellence was read by Mrs. R. L. Palmer, of Jersey, and adopted.

Mrs. W. H. Reddish, state corresponding secretary, brought a very interesting and inspiring message concerning the past, present and future work of the women in North Carolina, and concluded by especially emphasizing the importance of mission study in the societies.

The committees were appointed as follows:

Nominating Committee—Mrs. M. L. Kesler, Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Mrs. L. E. Teague, Mrs. W. A. Beeker, Mrs. T. M. Burton.

Committee on Time and Place—Mrs. Mary E. Davis, Miss Tela Beanblossom, Miss Lula Motsinger.

Committee on Resolutions—Mrs. H. S. Radcliffe, Mrs. J. K. Hankins, Mrs. J. C. Gillespie.

Obituary Committee—Mrs. Winona L. Swaim, Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Mrs. W. H. Leonard.

"Bring in the Sheaves" was sung and the body adjourned for dinner after a chain of prayer.

Afternoon Session.

The meeting opened at 2 p. m. with a song, after which Rev. R. E. White, of Lexington, led in devotional exercises. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Miss Sallie McCracken took charge of the young people's hour. The Sunbeams of Lexington and the Sunbeams and G. A.'s of Denton presented short programs, which were much enjoyed, and Miss Thelma Lee followed this with a very helpful talk on "How Much the Young People's Work Means to the Church and W. M. S."

A well prepared paper on "Organization for Training More Important Than Contributions," by Miss Gertrude Alexander, was read by Mrs. J. K. Hankins.

Mrs. A. L. Pickard read a paper on State Missions, prepared by Mrs. S. G. Hasty.

A paper on "Home Missions From the Viewpoint of Making America Christian—the Problem of the Immigrant," stating some facts the Home Board is doing among these people, and encouraging greater work to be done, was read by Mrs. R. A. Allen, of Denton, having been prepared by Mrs. U. A. Hedrick.

Mrs. J. C. Gillespie read a paper on Foreign Missions, presenting the needs on our new fields.

Mrs. Winona L. Swaim stressed the importance of each society contributing to the associational expense fund.

Mrs. Reddish made a short talk encouraging "Tithing," and also discussed the Standard of Excellence.

The report of committees followed. The nominating committee suggested the following names for election: Superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Grren; junior superintendent, Mrs. D. F. Conrad; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. U. A. Hedrick. Adopted.

The Committee on Time and Place recommended that the next annual meeting be held with Holloways Baptist church the last Thursday in August, 1922. Adopted.

Report of the Committee on Resolution:

Whereas, the women of Churchland church have been so sincere and cordial in their welcome to all, and have made us so comfortable, and so much at home in their beautiful new building, therefore be it resolved,

First, that we wish to express our most sincere and hearty appreciation of the information and inspiration derived from the meeting and of the bountiful and delicious dinner served in

the beautiful grove and enjoyed by all.

Second, We beg that each and every one carry back with them a sincere desire and earnest resolve to do greater things for Him who has done so much for us, and to contribute of their means and talent that others may know and glorify our beloved Master.

Adopted by rising vote.

The committee on obituaries offered the following resolutions of respect:

Whereas in His divine providence God has taken from our union, Sisters J. L. Shinn, of Southmont, H. C. Myers, Mozelle Conrad and little Frances Disher, of Lexington, and

Whereas, we realize our loss by their removal from our midst to their Heavenly reward, therefore be it resolved,

First, That we, the members of the Liberty Woman's Missionary Union, bow in submission to the will of our Heavenly Father in this dispensation of His will.

Second, That we endeavor to express our sincere love and sympathy to the loved ones of our departed sisters, pointing them to the Holy Spirit who can bring comfort and solace to the broken hearted.

Third, That in our loss of these useful members we may strive to be more faithful to the work our Lord has left in our care, of loving one another and reaching out a helping hand to those who need our help.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of our annual meeting. Adopted.

A number of ladies expressed themselves as having received benefit and inspiration from the meeting and Rev. R. E. White spoke words of commendation of the work done by the women of the association.

The minutes were read and approved. The congregation joined in singing "Blest be the Tie that Binds," and the benediction was pronounced by Rev. R. E. White.

MRS. R. S. GREEN, Associational Supt.

MRS. U. A. HEDRICK, Recording Sec'y.

LIST OF DELEGATES

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Abbotts Creek—Represented by letter.

Churchland, Mrs. J. N. Penninger, Mrs. O. F. Davis, Mrs. W. A. Beeker.

Denton—Mrs. R. A. Allen, Miss Eunice Ward, Mrs. W. T. Harris.

Erlanger—Mrs. J. C. Gillespie.

Holloways—Miss Mattie Bean, Miss Tela Beanblossom.

Jersey—Mrs. L. A. Smith, Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Mrs. W. R. Trexler.

Lexington—Mrs. Winona L. Swaim, Mrs. A. L. Pickard, Mrs. E. G. Hunt.

Orphanage—Mrs. M. L. Kesler, Miss Sallie McCracken.

Stoner's Grove—Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Miss Zula Wrenn, Miss Pearl Lomax.

Thomasville—Mrs. J. S. Daniel, Mrs. L. E. Teague, Mrs. R. S. Green.

Wallburg—Mrs. J. B. Motsinger, Miss Lula Motsinger.

SUNBEAMS.

Denton—Mary Harris, Lucile Lanning, Bob Harris.

Holloways—Lola Palmer, Gladys McCarn.

Lexington—Willie Joe Smith, Annie Maie Lopp, Ina Hunt.

Lexington Mission—Eugenia Webster.

Orphanage (Durham)—By letter.

Orphanage (Mitchell)—By letter.

Stoner's Grove—Mattie Lea Wrenn.

Thomasville—By letter.

GIRLS' AUXILIARIES

Denton—Eunice Snider, Lucy Lanning.

Lexington—Eugenia Webster, Mildred Conrad, Mary Edna Miller.

Orphanage—By letter.

Thomasville—By letter.

ROYAL AMBASSADOR

Lexington—Hazel Lancaster, Wallace White.

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE	Time of Preaching	Value of Church Property	GAINS			LOSSES			Number of Males	Number of Females	Total Membership
					By Baptism	By Letter	Restoration	By Letter	Exclusion	By Death			
Abbotts Creek	J. M. Hilliard, High Point	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	3rd	$2,000	1			6	3	4	64	109	173
Center Hill	J. L. Shinn, Southmont	C. A. Owen, Lexington	4th	2,000	9	2			2		49	70	119
Denton	W. A. Hough, Denton	Albert L. Snider, Denton	2d, 4th	5,000	17	9		3	1		110	107	217
Churchland		W. H. Lomax, Linwood	1st, 3	10,000	5	2	3	9	6	1	80	115	195
Erlanger	J. C. Gillespie, Lexington	J. L. Hembree, Erlanger	1st, 3d		32	38		23			51	71	122
Gravel Hill	W. A. Hough, Denton	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	1st	700				2			25	25	50
Holloways	J. L. Shinn, Southmont	G. C. Palmer, High Rock	2d	1,000	14	1	1	5	3	2	82	123	205
Jersey	H. T. Penry, Mocksville	L. A. Smith, Linwood	4th	3,500	22	6		5			68	104	172
Lexington	R. E. White, Lexington	Ed F. Smith, Lexington	Every	40,000	41	40		12		3	222	308	530
Liberty	W. A. Hough, Denton	H. P. May, Cid, R. 1	3rd	6,000	20		7	9		2	45	83	128
Lick Creek	J. A. Combs, Erlanger	P. M. Snider, High Rock	3rd	2,000				4		5	40	52	92
New Friendship	V. M. Swaim, Winston-Salem				15			5		1	51	82	133
Oak Grove	B. R. Crowder, Winston-Salem	Ash, Johnson, Winston-Salem	3rd	15,000	9						19	24	43
Oak Hill	Jas. A. Clark, High Point	M. F. Underwood, Trinity	3rd		1						12	25	37
Orphanage	J. S. Hardaway, Thomasville	L. W. Bagley, Thomasville	2d, 4th		63	31	1	56			126	256	382
Reed's X Roads	J. C. Gillespie, Lexington	Arlie Myers, Lexington, R. 3	2d	3,500	14				1	2	98	127	225
Rich Fork	R. E. White, Lexington	T. H. Small, Thomasville	4th	2,500	9			1	1	1	59	102	161
Smith Grove	F. W. Fry, Mocksville	L. T. Yarborough, Salisbury, R. 7	4th	2,000	1	2					50	57	107
Stoner's Grove	J. L. Shinn, Southmont	J. D. Lookabill, Southmont	1st, 3d	4,000	9	2		7		1	62	75	137
Southside	C. E. Crissman, High Point	D. H. Millett, Thomasville	1st, 3d		4	12	1	1		1	17	25	42
Summerville	D. P. Morris, Norwood	J. A. Gallimore, High Rock	1st	1,500	26	1	1	5	1	4	101	121	222
Thomasville	J. S. Hardaway, Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	Every	20,000	35	20	3	12	1	2	122	178	300
Wallburg	Frank Hare, Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	2d, 4th	6,000	9	5		4			57	82	139
Walters Grove	W. A. Hough, Denton	J. T. Pierce, Cid	4th	500						1	11	32	43
Welcome	J. C. Gillespie, Lexington	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	2d, 4th	3,500	5	2		4		1	27	24	51
					361	173	17	173	19	31	1648	2377	4025

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES, SUNBEAMS, GIRLS' AUXILIARIES AND ROYAL AMBASSADOR STATISTICAL TABLE

W. M. S.	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	No. Members	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State Missions	Loan Fund	Training School	Orphanage	Christian Education	Hospitals	Old Ministers	75 Million Campaign	Bible Fund	State Ex. Fund	Asso. Ex. Fund	Other Objects	TOTALS
Abbotts Creek	Mrs. N. R. Teague	Miss Mattie Teague	14	$25.00	$25.00	$10.70	$4.00		100.00						$2.00	$1.00	$10.00	$177.70
Churchland	Mrs. W. A. Beeker	Mrs. O. F. Davis	15	6.25	6.65	10.00	5.00		44.00				15.00		1.20	.75	422.50	511.35
Denton	Mrs. W. A. Hough	Mrs. Mary E. Davis	19	30.50	18.60	18.50	5.00		19.75				30.25		3.00	3.00	128.25	256.85
Erlanger	Mrs. N. C. Martin	Mrs. Mary Setzer	20	7.00	9.80	8.00							67.20			1.00	107.00	200.00
Holloways	Miss Tela Brantblossom	Miss Mattie Bean	33						2.00				95.65		1.00	.50	130.00	229.15
Jersey	Mrs. R. L. Palmer	Mrs. F. C. Sowers	23				10.00		13.80				143.50		1.00	1.25	78.50	248.05
Lexington	Mrs. J. K. Hankins	Mrs. S. F. Barr	100	230.00	132.00	189.20	30.00	7.50	208.18	134.00					5.00	1.65	188.70	1126.23
Orphanage	Miss Eulalia Turner	Miss Sallie McCracken		302.00	207.13	130.55	24.05	41.71	334.92	114.48	103.57	45.96			4.00	2.50	37.05	1347.92
Rich Fork	Mrs. Chas. Fowler	Miss Lillian Edinger	17										30.00					30.00
Stoners Grove	Mrs. J. H. Mills	Miss Zula Wrenn	16	14.00	8.50	23.10	10.00	6.00	38.71			4.75						14.11
Thomasville	Mrs. R. S. Green	Mrs. L. E. Teague	31	55.86	51.83	57.30	17.00	13.57	138.36		6.00		374.33	5.00	2.30	.50	5.00	112.86
Wallburg	Mrs. J. W. Tuttle	Mrs. J. B. Mosinger	10	17.50	21.50	24.65	7.00		15.00	60.00					2.90	.35	150.00	872.50
				688.11	481.01	472.00	112.05	68.78	914.72	308.48	109.57	50.71	755.93	5.00	23.30	13.50	1257.00	5260.16
Royal Ambassador	LEADER																	
Lexington	Miss Gertrude Alexander			10.11						4.00								14.11

SUNBEAMS	LEADER	PRESIDENT	No Members	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Loan Fund	Training School	State Missions	Margaret Fund	Orphanage	Hospitals	Christian Education	Bible Fund	Old Ministers	75 Million Campaign	Other Objects	TOTALS
Denton	Mrs. Mary E. Davis	Mary Harris	18						2.00						10.00		12.00
Holloways	Mrs. W. H. Johnson	Dorothy McCarn	27							.50							5.18
Lexington	Mrs. J. N. Burton	Annie Maie Lopp	57	5.00	2.00	4.00	3.00	3.00	5.00	50.00	2.00	4.00			4.68		78.00
Lexington Mission	Miss Eugenia Webster	Minnie Strickland	52	3.18													7.18
Orphanage (Mitchell)	Mrs. Maggie Scarborough	Emily McDonald	33	5.29	4.89											4.00	10.73
Orphanage (Durham)	Miss Kate Warwick	Milton Waits	40	3.98	3.14		2.27			1.92		.55					11.31
Stoners Grove	Mrs. O. E. Stoner	Mattie Lea Wrenn	18			.30				2.25		1.73					4.28
Thomasville	Mrs. Chas. F. Lambeth	Clarence Reitzel	40	9.69	7.83			18.46	2.36				2.00				40.34
			255	27.14	17.86	4.00	5.57	21.46	9.36	54.67	2.00	6.28	2.00		14.68	4.00	169.02
G. A.	LEADER	PRESIDENT															
Denton	Mrs. U. A. Hedrick	Mamie Tysinger	13	1.00				1.30		2.25	1.00				3.95	.65	10.15
Lexington	Mrs. D. F. Conrad	Eugenia Webster			11.20							12.00					23.20
Orphanage	Miss Grace Francis	Myrtle Jones	40	1.92	2.54		1.01	.90		6.00		1.00		1.84			15.21
Thomasville	Mrs. C. M. Howell	Margaret Reitzel	18	1.00	2.50		.57					.45					4.52
			71	3.92	16.24		1.58	2.20		8.25	1.00	13.45		1.84	3.95	.65	53.08

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	75 Million (Undesignated)	State and Asso. Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	S. S. Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Ministers' Relief	Other Objects	TOTAL
Abbotts Creek	$150.00		$248.10	$10.00		$4.00			$75.00	$7.30	$25.00		$353.62	$25.00	$9.23		1208.06
Center Hill	250.00					2.50	18.00		161.50				29.23				315.83
Churchland	500.00	1072.00	125.00	77.70	25.00	2.50	78.00	38.77	12.00	9.02	10.28		235.24	5.05		137.60	2450.66
Denton	364.75	210.00	48.53	123.76		2.70	526.98	113.00	54.90				26.30				1468.22
Ebenezer	600.00		23.69			3.00	212.16	342.56	10.00	12.80	7.25		146.23				1357.69
Grove Hill	125.00			15.00		1.00	95.00		6.00	12.85	16.50		25.75				297.10
Halfways	250.00		2.00	22.00	18.00	50	94.74	219.31									606.55
Hopewell	275.00					2.60		200.00					100.00				575.00
Lexington	2100.00	363.47	1294.94	440.70		15.00	1337.64	2378.20	192.20	190.08	235.00		583.87	148.50			9279.60
Liberty	225.00		49.80			3.78	50.00	58.39					16.54				403 11
Little Creek	170.00					1.00			20.00	10.00	20.00	2.00	20.00	10.00	8.00		261.00
Mount Friendship	200.00	750.00		53.45		2.60			20.00	24.00	24.00	5.00	30.00	5.00	5.00		1119.00
New Bethany	540.00	61.52	65.00	158.51		8.00			228.35	306.21	374.15		459.50	258.33	65.86	126.51	3209.00
New Grove	81.42	137.74	15.00	6.60		1.00				1.00			17.16		1.00		260.92
Oak Hill	120.00									2.75			3.00				125.75
Old X Roads	250.00	175.00	40.00	67.00		4.00	9.55		15.00	10.00	19.75		91.30		4.65		686.25
Pilot Knob	150.00		547.50	25.00	22.00	4.00	90.00		50.00	49.00	40.00		72.00		20.00		1060.00
Pine Fork	134.45	5.00	30.00	18.52		5.00		5.00	3.13	3.00	3.00		75.78	2.00	2.50	2.50	294.88
Pine Grove	72.00		6.00	36.50		1.50	100.00	10.00		2.50	2.50		20.30				255.52
Smithside	475.00	1544.56	142.26	92.40	62.10	5.80	140.14	14.30	64.21	57.65	54.25	21.08	248.66	27.11	16.09		2963.81
Stokes Grove	175.00	47.00		17.28	9.15	1.15	35.60	15.20					13.32				282.05
Summerville	1080.00	452.16	225.68	297.61	27.00	8.00	755.33	771.57	76.26	81.02	66.55		491.33	21.59			4354 10
Thomasville	356.00	74.25	51.40	139.90		4.00	167.36	23.10	47.65	46.35	78.96		179.60	707.95			1876.72
Wadsburg	75.00		5.00	10.00		1.00							50 57				91 00
Wesley Grove	150.00	75.19	35.00	12.00	10.00	1.00	46.38	175.72									555 86
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SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	SUPERINTENDENT AND POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY AND POSTOFFICE	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Abbotts Creek	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	R. L. Clinard, Kernersville	1	4	80	84	40	12	1	$ 52.00		$ 89.79		$141.79
Center Hill	John F. Jarrett, Linwood	S. E. Jarrett, Linwood	1	6	64	70	22	12		19.70		23.45	1.28	44.43
Churchland	W. H. Lemax, Linwood	W. L. Simerson, Linwood	1	14	237	252	110	12	5	77.70	28.80	170.40	72.00	348.90
Denton	U. A. Hedrick, Denton	L. R. Loflin, Denton	1	8	272	280	130	12	14	123.76	8.40	85.51		217.67
Erlanger	(Union school)													
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	James Newcome, Riley's Store	1	8	52	60	31	12		15.00				15.00
Holloways	G. C. Palmer, High Point	Josie Briggs, High Point	1	9	159	168	71	12	14	22.00		56.65		78.65
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	R. A. Tate, Linwood	1	7	100	107	52	12	7	29.53		12.80		64.86
Lick Creek	J. G. Feezor, High Rock,	V. K. Skeen, High Rock	1											
Lexington	G. W. Miller, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	2	20	540	560	256	12	39	440.70		275.69	625.51	1342.90
Oak Grove	Jesse Powell, Winston-Salem	Ash Johnson, Winston-Salem	1	4	49		28	12	7	6.60		17.16		23.76
Orphanage	L. W. Bagley, Thomasville	Palmer Robinson, Thomasville	1	35	440	475	217	12	63	135.59	132.72	8.61	523.40	800.32
Reeds X Roads	C. H. Fritts, Lexington	Edwin Hunt, Lexington	1	15	215	230	136	12	14	67.00		40.43	9.55	116.98
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	Miss Ruth Edinger, Thomasville	1	9	175	184	64	9						
Smith Grove	G. A. Clement, Linwood, R. 1	C. E. Young, Linwood Route 1	1	8	80	88	30	12	1	18.52				
Southside	N. C. Clodfelter, Thomasville	Odell Beck, Thomasville	1	7	85	92		12		36.50		4.22	5.00	45.72
Stoner's Grove	S. E. Warfford, Southmont	S. W. Warfford, Southmont	1	10	140	150	78	12	9	92.40	9.56	198.78	79.35	380.09
Summerville	Alex Snider, High Rock	Walter Bean, High Rock	1	6	75	81	50	12	4	17.28		8.60		25.88
Thomasville	Archibald Johnson, Thomasville	A. Z. Boles, Thomasville	1	13	435	448	190	12	25	297.61		491.33	371.88	1160.82
Wallburg	E. O. Wall, Wallburg	E. E. Jenkins, Wallburg	1	8	70	78		12	8	139.90	23.10	119.25	85.18	367.43
Walters Grove	I. T. Pierce, Cid	Clara Pierce, Cid	1	6	60	66	15	12		10.00				10.00
Welcome	M. L. Craven, Welcome	W. O. Haynes, Welcome	1	8	90	98	40	12	5	12.00		50.57		62.57
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MINUTES

OF THE

Eighty-Ninth Annual Session

OF THE

Liberty Baptist Association

HELD WITH

THE BAPTIST CHURCH AT SUMMERVILLE

September 5 and 6, 1922

OFFICERS

Moderator, R. S. Green.....Thomasville, N. C.
Vice-Moderator, Ernest Wofford.....Southmont, N. C.
Clerk and Treas., Paul C. Newton.....Thomasville, N. C.

PLACE, TIME AND PREACHER FOR NEXT SESSION

Place—Abbotts Creek.
Time—Tuesday after the first Sunday in September.
Preacher—W. L. Barrs.

SEVENTY-FIVE MILLION APPORTIONMENTS

Abbotts Creek	$600	a year	or	$3000.00
Center Hill	400	a year	or	2000.00
Churchland	600	a year	or	3000.00
Denton	600	a year	or	3000.00
Erlanger	600	a year	or	3000.00
Gravel Hill	200	a year	or	1000.00
Holloways	400	a year	or	2000.00
Huldah	100	a year	or	500.00
Jersey	600	a year	or	3000.00
Lexington	2000	a year	or	10000.00
Liberty	400	a year	or	2000.00
Lick Creek	600	a year	or	3000.00
New Friendship	200	a year	or	1000.00
Oak Grove	100	a year	or	500.00
Oak Hill	100	a year	or	500.00
Orphanage	1100	a year	or	5500.00
Reeds	400	a year	or	2000.00
Rich Fork	200	a year	or	1000.00
Smith Grove	200	a year	or	1000.00
Stoners Grove	800	a year	or	4000.00
Summerville	200	a year	or	1000.00
Taylors Grove	100	a year	or	500.00
Thomasville	1200	a year	or	6000.00
Wallburg	800	a year	or	4000.00
Walters Grove	100	a year	or	500.00
Welcome	200	a year	or	1000.00

MINUTE FUND APPORTIONMENT

Abbotts Creek	$5.00
Center Hill	2.00
Churchland	5.00
Denton	5.00
Erlanger	3.00
Gravel Hill	2.00
Holloways	4.00
Huldah	1.50
Jersey	5.00
Lexington	10.00
Liberty	3.00
Lick Creek	3.00
New Friendship	4.00
Oak Grove	2.00
Oak Hill	1.00
Orphanage	8.00
Reeds	5.00
Rich Fork	4.00
Smith Grove	3.00
Stoners Grove	5.00
Summerville	2.50
Taylor's Grove	1.00
Thomasville	8.00
Wallburg	5.00
Walter's Grove	1.00
Welcome	2.00
Total	$100.00

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

J. M. Hilliard.....High Point, N. C.
J. S. Hardaway, D. D.....Thomasville, N. C.
M. L. Kesler, D. D.....Thomasville, N. C.
V. M. Swaim.....Winston-Salem, N. C.
F. W. Frye.....Salisbury, N. C.
C. E. Crissman.....High Point, N. C.
Jeff Lanning.....Denton, N. C.
D. P. Morris.....Norwood, N. C.
W. A. Hough.....Denton, N. C.
H. T. Penry.....Mocksville, N. C.
G. L. Merrell.....Thomasville, N. C.
James A. Clark.....High Point, N. C.
B. R. Crowder.....Winston-Salem, N. C.
J. D. Newton.....Thomasville, N. C.
J. P. Crouch.....Linwood, N. C.
L. L. Hudson.....Erlanger, N. C.
J. A. Combs.....Erlanger, N. C.
W. L. Barrs.....Rt. 3, Lexington, N. C.
E. W. Byerly.....Thomasville, N. C.
E. F. Mumford.....Wallburg, N. C.
W. A. Sowers.....Linwood, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

R. S. Green
Paul C. Newton
G. W. Miller
C. M. Wall
George Foster Hankins
S. E. Wofford
B. R. Cross

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Eighty-Ninth Annual Session of the Liberty Baptist Association

Summerville Church, Sept. 5, 1922.

The 89th session of the Liberty Baptist Association convened with the church at Summerville on Tuesday, September 5, 1922. Devotional exercises were conducted by Livingston Johnson, and prayers were offered by J. M. Hilliard and M. L. Kesler. Moderator R. S. Green called the body to order and the following messengers enrolled:

Abbotts Creek—Chas. H. Teague.

Churchland—W. A. Beeker, R. L. Buie, J. R. Beeker.

Center Hill—Walter J. Beck, S. E. Jarrett.

Denton—W. A. Snider, W. B. Russell, W. T. Tysinger.

Erlanager—T. F. Bishop.

Gravel Hill—E. M. Russell.

Holloways—G. C. Palmer, George Workman, Gaither Bean.

Jersey—Ira A. Sharpe.

Lick Creek—Stokes Carrick.

Liberty—A. S. Miller, N. T. Kindley.

Lexington—G. F. Hankins, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, C. M. Wall, Ed F. Smith, G. W. Miller.

New Friendship—A. P. Snider, Eugene Snyder.

Orphanage—Mrs. M. L. Kesler, Miss Sallie McCracken, F. B. Hamrick.

Oak Grove—D. R. Crowder, Ben Johnson.

Reeds—J. F. Foster, E. A. Snider, L. C. Snider.

Rich Fork—Thos. Everhart, G. T. Everhart, T. H. Small.

Southside—O. L. Wagstaff, J. A. Simpson, A. A. Wagstaff.

Summerville—Early Gallimore, Ed Bean, M. L. Bean.

Smith Grove—S. R. Simerson, L. T. Yarbrough.

Stoners Grove—S. E. Wofford, L. C. Lomax, Lowe Davis, Turner Wall, Jr., Robert Barnes.

Taylors Grove—Ira Bailey, Richard L. West, D. M. Summey, A. H. Michael.

Thomasville—L. E. Teague, H. B. Brewer, Paul C. Newton, B. F. Lee, Mrs. B. F. Lee.

Wallburg—G. W. Wall, E. E. Jenkins.

Welcome—Roy Zimmerman, Willie Brinkley.

Walter's Grove—Lydle Gallimore, Gurney Pierce, J. T. Pierce.

The Association then elected officers by acclamation as follows: R. S. Green, moderator; Ernest Wofford, vice-moderator; Paul C. Newton, clerk and treasurer.

Livingston Johnson, representing the Biblical Recorder, and E. B. Dillard were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body.

The following new pastors were recognized in the Liberty Association: E. F. Mumford, Wallburg; J. P. Crouch, Churchland; B. R. Crowder, Oak Grove; L. L. Hudson, Erlanger.

Under miscellaneous business the matter of the ordination of Richard West was brought to the attention of the Association. The matter was taken under advisement.

The following order of business was adopted:

TUESDAY, SEPT. 5

9:30—Devotional exercises.
10:00—Enrollment of messengers and election of officers.
10:30—Miscellaneous business.
10:50—Ministerial Relief.
11:15—Biblical Recorder.

AFTERNOON

1:30—Orphanage.
2:30—Foreign Missions.
3:15—State of the Churches.
4:00—Miscellaneous business.

EVENING

8:00—Annual Sermon.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 6

10:00—Devotional exercises.
10:30—Woman's Work.
11:00—State Missions.
12:00—Sunday Schools.

AFTERNOON

2:00—Education.
2:40—Home Missions.
3:00—Report of Executive Committee.

W. L. Barrs was asked to write a report on Ministerial Relief. In the absence of a report the subject was discussed by W. L. Barrs, J. M. Hilliard and M. L. Kesler. The anticipated report was adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

When we consider the great work that our old preachers have done in the early history of our great Baptist work, they have laid the foundation upon which we are now building and they did their work well. The young preacher of today should build upon this foundation such things that will stand the test of the world.

Our Relief Board located in Dallas, Texas, is now giving aid to about seven or eight hundred aged preachers and others are being added as the funds permit. We owe a great debt to our

aged preachers not only in money, but we should give them our love and try to make them happy as they are nearing the end of the way when they shall go to be with Him they have loved and tried to serve.

Your committee earnestly recommends that a Christmas offering be taken by each church in this Association for ministerial relief.

W. L. BARRS.

The report on the Biblical Recorder was read by J. D. Newton, as follows:

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Biblical Recorder is the doctrinal and missionary organ of North Carolina Baptists, and as such has been true in tone and accent through all the years of its ministry.

The real worth of the Recorder in a Baptist home has never been calculated, much less would it be possible to measure its effect and influence in the thousands of homes into which it has constantly gone through the past years.

The missionary letters and the doctrinal interpretations which are constantly appearing on its pages are both inspiring and comforting to a high degree as well as informing to sincere inquirers after truth.

If it were permissible for a Baptist association to make some sugestions to the worthy editor and publishers of the Recorder, we would say: 1. Have at some conspicuous place in the paper each week a definite statement of Baptist principles, what they believe about the doctrines and missions, in clear and concise form. 2. Select for each issue the most striking utterances and news from the Baptist exchanges, as well as the most deeply spiritual matter. Very few of us get more than one or two of our denominational papers and therefore most of us would appreciate their best thought through the Recorder. 3. Devote some space to aids in prayer and frequently print a prayer of some worthy saint of the past or present. Most of us need stimulating matter along this line, realizing at the same time that the Bible is the true source of inspiration and knowledge and must not be neglected.

Some suggestions to our churches about the Recorder: 1. Make strenuous effort to get the paper into every family of your church. 2. The price of the paper is not too high, as has been so often said, but reasonable, in proportion to its value. There has never been as issue of the paper that was not worth more than it cost, provided a close reading followed. 3. Do not only read, but really study, each copy of the Recorder. Many articles in the paper deserve several readings and will well repay the reader. 4. Report the news from your church in the Recorder, not in a lengthy letter, but in a few lines. All readers

of the paper enjoy the letters from the churches. 5. Write down your best thoughts and preserve them, occasionally sending some of them to the Recorder. They may not all be printed, but some of them will be and may be the means of helping thousands in the Christian life.

J. D. NEWTON.

The report was discussed by Livingston Johnson and was adopted.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

Finance—Charles H. Teague, E. F. Smith.

Committee to nominate executive committee—J. M. Hilliard, L. E. Teague and J. L. Shinn.

Committee to nominate place and preacher for next meeting—G. W. Miller, B. R. Cross and T. H. Small.

AFTERNOON

The Association opened with prayer by L. L. Hudson. Addresses on the Orphanage were made by M. L. Kesler, E. B. Dillard, J. M. Hilliard and W. L. Barrs. The report on the Orphanage by C. M. Wall was adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

About thirty-seven years ago the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage came into existence. It came without any equipment and with the Convention divided in regard to the advisability of the project. For the past seventeen years Dr. M. L. Kesler has been the General Manager of the institution. When he took charge there were but few buildings and the equipment was very poor. During his administration the assets of the institution have been brought up to about $750,000.

The current expenses of the Orphanage are supported almost entirely by the contributions from the different Sunday schools of the Convention and by the Thanksgiving offerings. The endowment interest is applied to upkeep of the buildings, repairs, etc.; but the current expenses of the Orphanage are taken care of by the contributions named above.

The Baptist Orphanage includes several industries which are assets to the plant at large. The dairy, shoe shop, print shop and farm are great assets to the institution and are self-supporting, and give the girls and boys valuable manual training and practical experience in many lines of work.

The Mothers' Aid plan is an item that should by all means be stressed. By this Mothers' Aid plan the Orphanage has been able to take care of 125 children with their 23 mothers in their own homes. By appropriating a small monthly amount a child may be taken care of in his or her own home, be in care of the individual mother and have the home atmosphere and attention that would otherwise be out of the question. In many cases a home would not necessarily be broken up if this Mothers' Aid

plan could be applied.

It is estimated that a child can be taken care of in the Orphanage proper for the amount of $232 per year.

Every Baptist—in fact, every citizen of the county—has reason to be proud of this institution situated in our midst. Every one should lend a helping hand to the Orphanage and the progress of general welfare work all over the state. Our denomination may point with pride to its effort in fostering welfare work, and we might all redouble our energies as well as our offerings in the endeavor to make the Orphanage larger and stronger for its work to come.

C. M. WALL.

The Report on Foreign Missions was read by W. A. Hough as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The lines of our foreign mission endeavor have been extended into sixteen countries of the world. The population of these sixteen countries is twenty-five times as large as that of the territory of the Southern Baptist Convention.

1. Our Foreign Mission Board has occupied vast territory in China. Our great mission program there is laid out in five sections, North, Interior, Pakhoi, Central and South China Missions. There are more people in our China mission field than there are in the entire United States, and yet there are twelve other provinces in China in which we have no work. Of the 462 missionaries supported by the Foreign Mission Board in all lands, 253 are in China. More than half of our entire force of missionaries are in China and yet how few they appear to be in the Chinese population which is four times as large as that of the United States.

2. Our other far-east field is Japan, with a population nearly twice as large as that of our southern states. Our Board has twenty-eight missionaries in Japan. A like distribution of preachers in our southern states made according to population would not provide even one preacher for every state. Despite this our work prospers in Japan. A new spirit of friendliness now exists between us and the Japanese which would enable us to do wonders if we could at once double our missionary force.

3. Our closest foreign mission field is Mexico, which has as many people in it as Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida, Tennessee and Kentucky. Mexico is a fruitful as well as an important mission field in spite of the unsettled conditions existing there and our greatly reduced foreign mission force, we had 465 baptisms in Mexico last year. The very unrest of the country makes a loud call for the gospel of Christ and affords a peculiarly favorable opportunity for missionary endeavor. The call is now urgent for re-enforcing our mission work in Mexico.

4. Our foreign mission work extends into four countries, in South America, Brazil, Uruguay, Argentina and Chile. These with the exception of Uruguay are vast lands. Brazil is as large as the United States. Argentina is as large as our territory east of the Mississippi river. Chile is as large as Texas. Our Brazil mission stands next in size to that in China. We have 98 missonaries in Brazil and our work there grows at a rapid rate.

It ranks second in number of church members, having 20,614 as compared with 26,577 members in China, our oldest field. This does not discredit the work in China, but it is very gratifying to note this success of our efforts in Brazil.

Our other work in South America is comparatively new, but has taken firm hold and is growing rapidly.

The Argentine Baptists gave more per capita last year than any other of our fields, even more than the Baptists of the Southern Baptist Convention. They gave $23.80 per capita and Southern Baptists $10.52 for all objects.

5. Our work in Africa is located in Nigeria, the largest and richest of the British protectorates. There has been a marked development in our work there due to the efforts of the native Christian traders who have gone all over the country in pursuit of their business. As they have gone they have borne testimony to the gospel as heard by our missionaries and many have been brought to Christ and numerous churches have been organized. Our missionaries there report that our ideas and work are spreading into all parts of Nigeria. Churches are springing up in far distant places not by our own efforts but by the labors of these natives who have learned of Jesus. And their cry is "Send us men, send us missionaries, pastors and teachers."

6. Interest deepens in our European work. The old work in Italy has experienced a prosperous year by acquiring fine property in Rome for a church and missionaries' residence, publication headquarters the possibilities for greatly increased work in that city have been greatly enlarged. The purchase of a splendid piece of property in the outskirts of Rome for an orphanage brings great encouragement to our people.

During the past year much has been done towards evangelizing the new fields in Europe. Dr. Everett Gill, the superintendent of our new work has accomplished much in Spain, Jugo-Slavia, Roumania and Hungary.

Rev. H. E. Porter, our first missionary to Russia, has been able in connection with the American Relief Administration, to go to Moscow and do valiant service in relief work and evangelism.

Conditions in Russia do not yet permit freedom of religious endeavors. For the present the most that can be done is in extending relief to the starving multitudes. Southern Baptists have done much in this gracious charity and must continue to do much, at least through the coming winter.

Our work in Syria and Palestine is just beginning to take definite shape. The two native workers have been fruitful. Our Board in May, 1922, appointed two young men who with their wives will soon go to Palestine for the purpose of laying the foundation for a wide work in the Holy Land.

7. A glance at some statistics may help. We have now 622 churches in our foreign fields, with 64,257 members. One-third or 206 of these churches are self-supporting and 375 own their own houses of worship. They gave an average of $7.24 per member last year.

We have a total of 694 schools of all grades with an enrollment of 26,507 students. These schools are great evangelizing agencies. More than half of our church members were converted in our schools.

Last year we had 971 Sunday schools with an enrollment of 53,591 scholars.

The crowning glory of all our work last year was the 1,891 baptisms. This was nearly a thousand more than we ever recorded in one year before. God be praised for his blessings.

8. The most discouraging feature of our foreign mission work during last year came from the poor response to the call of this cause at home. Southern Baptists gave $742,703 less to foreign missions last year than the year before. Think of such a drop in one year! It is most serious. Our enlarged work will be greatly embarrassed if its support is cut down this year as it was last year.

The churches should wake up to the seriousness of our foreign mission situation. Southern Baptists despite conditions must support and enforce these heroic missionaries they have sent out to represent them on the front line of service in the foreign fields. Doors of opportunity stand wide open everywhere. The needs of a broken hearted, suffering, sinful world call to us with persistence that must be heeded now. We must not halt in our mission. We must at whatever cost of sacrifice or consecration preach in this opportune day Christ's Gospel unfalteringly to the whole world for which Christ died.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HOUGH.

The report was discussed by W. A. Hough, Livingston Johnson and E. F. Mumford and adopted. Mr. Hough introduced Miss Bessie Tysinger, who stated to the Association her intention to go as a missionary.

The report on State of the Churches was read by G. W. Miller as follows:

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES

Pastorate No. 1, which is composed of Lexington and Rich Fork churches, has been without a pastor since April. Notwithstanding this great hindrance, they have done exceedingly well

under the circumstances.

The Sunday school at Lexington, under the leadership of B. C. Philpot, who is the superintendent, has been the largest in the history of the church. All the organizations of the church have done good work. The church has overpaid its pledge to the 75 million campaign.

Rich Fork has had a good Sunday school, and has made a good record under these conditions.

Pastorate No. 2. Thomasville church has perhaps had the best year in its history. It has added 24 new members to its roll and has overpaid its 75 million assessment. While its Sunday school has had a teachers training school, all the organizations of this church are in splendid condition. We are very sorry indeed to state that the beloved pastor, Dr. Hardaway, is now in a hospital in Richmond, Va. We sincerely hope and pray that he may soon recover and be returned to this field.

The Orphanage church is always at the head of the list. It has met its pledge to the 75 million, has received 35 new members by baptism and others by letter. This church has the distinction of having a standard school. To this high standard, all of our schools should strive.

Southside is the second church of Thomasville. Rev. C. E. Crissmon is pastor. This little church has built some Sunday school rooms this year and is going forward.

Pastorate No. 3, which is composed of Liberty, Walters Grove, Denton, and Gravel Hill, is one of our largest fields and has not failed to make its influence fall in this part of the county, especially in evangelism and enlistment. Rev. W. A. Hough is the splendid pastor. He has had several training schools and some consecration meetings in some of these churches.

Pastorate No. 4 is to be congratulated for being the first country field to build a pastorium. This field, which is Stoners Grove, Holloways, and Center Hill, have added quite a number to their membership this year.

Churchland and Smith Grove constitute field No. 5; yet they do not have the same pastor. Rev. Floyd W. Fry, of Mocksville, is the pastor at Smith Grove. Churchland has not had a regular pastor for more than a year. Rev. Dr. Lemmons, of the First church, Salisbury, has supplied for them. They have now called Rev. J. P. Crouch as pastor for half time. He will be a very strong addition to the ministry of the Association. The churches have both done good work this year. Churchland is still an A-1 Sunday school.

Pastorate No. 6, Reeds and Welcome. Here is a field that has gone forward this year. They called Rev. W. L. Barrs to this pastorate early last fall. He came on the field and has inspired them to build a home for their pastor, which is located at Reeds. He has just moved in the new home and Reeds church

has called him for half time. We predict great things for these two churches. We would urge all country fields to purchase a small farm or a few acres of land and to build homes for their pastors.

Pastorate No. 7, Wallburg, New Friendship, Oak Grove and Abbotts Creek. Wallburg church is situated in the village of Wallburg, and has been without a pastor part of the year. Rev. Frank H. Hare left this church last fall on account of ill health. It had some supply preaching until very recently when Rev. E. F. Mumford became pastor for half time.

New Friendship is served by Rev. V. M. Swaim, of Winston-Salem. Abbotts Creek has gained 11 members, has paid $606.00 on the 75 million campaign, and has a splendid Sunday school. In fact the Sunday school has grown so rapidly that they are contemplating building a new church and Sunday school rooms very soon.

Pastorate No. 8, Jersey, Lick Creek, Taylors Grove and Summerville. Jersey has just closed its meeting, which added quite a number to the church. Rev H. T. Penry, of Mocksville, is pastor of this church.

Lick Creek has no pastor. Taylors Grove did not report at our last meeting. Summerville has had a splendid growth for the past two or three years under the pastorate of Rev. D. P. Morris, of Norwood.

Erlanger church, situated in the village of Erlanger, has a fine letter, and is measuring up to some of our older chrches. They are making an effort to build a house of worship. Rev. Mr. Hudson, the new pastor, is making fine progress.

G. W. MILLER.

The report was discussed by G. W. Miller and E. B. Dillard and adopted. W. L. Barrs made a motion that each pastor be given time to speak on the conditions of the churches in connection with the discussion of State Missions. The motion was carried.

After announcement by the entertainment committee and prayer by J. L. Shinn the Association adjourned.

EVENING

The evening service was devoted to the annual sermon, which was preached by W. A. Hough from John 20:28, the subject of the sermon being, "Who was Jesus?"

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Devotional exercises were conducted by L. L. Hudson and the Association was called to order by the moderator.

Minutes of previous day were read and approved. The Report on Woman's Work was read by F. B. Hamrick as follows:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

The W. M. U. of the Liberty Association would prefer always to report progress in the work, but this year's work shows that there has been a slight retrenchment.

The Woman's missionary societies have contributed for all objects $4,037.84. The Sunbeams have contributed $205.87. The Girls' Auxiliaries have given $149.93, and the Royal Ambassador Chapter $35.40. By comparison with last year's report it will be seen that all the Junior departments have advanced greatly. Two have more than doubled and the other almost doubled their contribution so the retrenchment has all been in the Woman's societies.

This is easily explained by the fact that three W. M. S. have become inactive during the year. The Erlanger society has not sent in a single report and Abbotts Creek and Rich Fork only one each.

The total contributions from all societies amounts to $4,432.24, subtracting $394.00, which was given to objects other than the campaign, leaves $4,038.24 given to the different objects of the 75 million campaign. No new Woman's societies have been organized, one new Girls' Auxiliary, and one Sunbeam band reorganized, are the only additions to report this year.

We deeply regret the fact that the women of our Association are so seemingly uninterested in the great field of missions. As superintendent of the Woman's Work I call upon the pastors of the churches where Woman's Work is unorganized to try to secure subscriptions to our mission magazines, especially Home and Foreign Fields, believing that if there is information much greater interest will be shown in the work. Also I would like to ask that the pastors of these unorganized churches present the Woman's Work to their people as they come before them from time to time. It is impossible for the superintendent to visit all these churches and it is only by the co-operation of the pastors that we can hope to reach the women of our Association. We beg the help and prayers and the co-operation of each one.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. S. GREEN, Asso. Supt.

The report was discussed by F. B. Hamrick and adopted.

Report on State Missions was read by J. L. Shinn as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Great enlargement in the state mission work has been possible because of the increase in funds out of the 75 million campaign. The state mission work is organized into departments as follows:

1. The Department of Missionary-Pastoral Assistance. There are more than two hundred men on the payroll of the Board. The monthly payroll is a little more than $5,000 for the mission-

aries alone. The Board of Missions is assisting in the payment of the salary of the pastor at almost every school center in North Carolina.

2. The Department of Evangelism. H. T. Stevens is superintendent of evangelism with three men under him. These men are holding meetings in churches in city, town and country. The Board of Missions is giving special attention to county seats where Baptists are weak and need help. There will be reported a wonderful year's work to the Convention.

3. The Department of Country Church and Enlistment. A. C. Hamby is superintendent with six men under him. These men are doing everything possible for the establishment and development of our country churches. This is our big problem. There are twenty-three hundred churches in North Carolina, eighteen hundred of these in the country. Many of these are served by absentee pastors, who come once a month. A worthy program for our country churches has been put on, which is proving successful.

4. The Department of Sunday Schools. E. L. Middleton is secretary. There are two thousand, two hundred and twenty-five Baptist Sunday schools in North Carolina. This department is doing its best to train our teachers, improve our methods, and get better Sunday school equipment in our churches. Great progress is being made and North Carolina ranks among the foremost in the Southern Baptist Convention in modern Sunday School work. There have been engaged forty-five young men and women as special summer workers along lines of Sunday School, B. Y. P. U., W. M. U. work, and evangelism and enlistment.

5. The Department of B. Y. P. U., Perry Morgan, secretary. There are nine hundred B. Y. P. U. organizations in North Carolina. It is planned to double this number in a year. The work is growing in a marvelous way.

6. The Department of W. M. U., Miss Mary Warren, secretary. This department sets the pace and leads the way for every good work and forward movement. New societies are being organized and new life and energy is being given to many backward churches through the agency of the Woman's Missionary Society.

7. The Department of Church Building. The Board is limited in funds and overwhelmed with appeals and applications. It is helping to build churches in destitute and waste places and at educational centers. It is building now at the A. & E College, and at the University at Chapel Hill. These houses are sorely needed. It could spend $100,000 per year for ten years in the building of church houses at destitute points if it had the money, and then not begin to meet the need.

8. The Book Department, R. L. Middleton, manager. This department can furnish all kinds of books and supplies for

churches, Sunday schools, B. Y. P. U.'s and W. M. Societies. All profits in this department go into the state mission work.

Your committee offers the following recommendations:

First, That the pastors keep before the churches the importance of missions.

Second, That each church appoint a mission secretary.

Third, The mission secretary's duties shall be to secure mission literature and distribute the same. This literature is free and can be secured from the secretaries of our Boards.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. SHINN.

Report on Sunday schools was submitted by Archibald Johnson and read by Paul C. Newton as follows:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The records show that the Liberty Association is more backward in its Sunday school work than in any other department. Out of a total church membership of 4025 as given in the minutes of 1921, only 1560 are in attendance upon our Sunday schools. This leaves a balance of 2465 men, women and children who do not darken the doors of our Sunday schools.

Making allowance for the women who are tied to their homes by domestic duties, and others who are not physically able to attend, it is probably not too much to say that at least 2000 of our folks who are well able to attend, care for none of these things, and have not the least interest in this vital department of our church work.

Our benevolence through our Sunday schools is much more creditable. $5247.77 was given to all objects last year. $1653.24 was given the Orphanage, but six of our schools reported nothing for this worthy object which makes a special appeal to our Sunday schools and which should enlist them every one.

Baptisms from the Sunday schools last year numbered 216—a very excellent showing.

A committee for the extension of the Sunday school work in the Association was appointed last year consisting of G. Foster Hankins, Archibald Johnson and Hubert Olive. If this committee has done anything it has not come to the ears of the writer, who is one of the members.

We recommend that the committee be continued, or a better one appointed, who will visit the schools and stir up the brethren on their duty to take their part in making our Sunday schools what they ought to be.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

Addresses were made by J. L. Shinn and E. L. Middleton, and the reported were adopted. Condition of Churches was discussed by W. L. Barrs, D. P. Morris, J. P. Crouch, J. L. Shinn, W. A. Hough, J. M. Hilliard and L. L. Hudson

AFTERNOON

The Association opened with prayer by Livingston Johnson. The report on Christian Education was read by G F. Hankins as follows:

REPORT ON EDUCATION

The progress of the educational spirit in our state and denomination is very pleasing and inspiring. To one who has watched the growth of this phase of our activities, the results are almost beyond belief. Yet there are some things which we have to watch, and the thoughtful ones of our leaders are trying to keep our Baptist people reminded of this.

The tendency in all large mass movements, such as our educational system, is to standardize it. This, of course, throttles and chokes individual characteristics and developments, and we Baptists are historically and fundamentally against that.

So we are urging the support and maintenance, and care and thought of our denominational schools, and to that end I am calling our Association's attention particularly to our own associational school—Liberty-Piedmont Institute—and ask that we re-baptize it with a new endorsement, and urge our people to work and pray for and support it.

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. HANKINS.

The report was discussed by G. F. Hankins and Livingston Johnson and was adopted.

Report on Home Missions was read by M. L. Kesler as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

Our Home Mission Board has one of the largest tasks of the Southern Baptist Convention. The Board is open to the criticism of undertaking too much. Any one of the departments is a big enterprise within itself.

For a number of years evangelism has been pressed with splendid success. This led up to another crying need—the Department of Church Building, which naturally follows any period of rapid growth in membership. In the natural order comes Enlistment and Stewardship. These departments are general in their nature, conserving and directing our work in the homeland. We still have the work among the negroes, Indians and Mexicans on our borders.

The achievements in home missions during the three years of the 75 million campaign are very encouraging. There have been an average of 1495 missionaries employed, who report for that period 134,832 baptisms, 218,371 additions to the churches, 2,276 Sunday schools and 759 churches organized, 1,409 houses of worship built or repaired, and 9,523 volunteers for special

Christian service. Also the Board reports the completion of its $1,000,000 Church Building Loan Fund, the launching of an encouraging work among the Jews, of the establishment at Jacksonville, Fla., a Seaman's Institute, vast improvements in 38 mountain schools with more than 6,000 pupils, establishment at El Paso of a modern tuberculosis sanatorium and the strengthening of the work in Panama and Cuba.

M. L. KESLER.

The report was discussed by M. L. Kesler and adopted.

The committee on place and preacher recommended Abbotts Creek as the place of next meeting and W. L. Barrs to preach the annual sermon, with L. L. Hudson as his alternate. The report of the committee to name executive committee of the Association recommended the following: R. S. Green, Paul C. Newton, G. W. Miller, C. M. Wall, George Foster Hankins, S. E. Wofford, B. R. Cross.

The reports were adopted.

The finance committee reported $53.64 received for printing the minutes.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For minutes and clerk	$78.64
State, Home and Foreign Missions	21.37
Orphanage	24.60
Total	$124.61

The moderator appointed the following brethren to prepare reports for next session:

Biblical Recorder—David F. Conrad.
Woman's Work—J. L. Shinn.
Orphanage—George Foster Hankins.
State of the Churches—M. L. Kesler.
Sunday Schools—G. W. Miller.
Education—E. F. Mumford.
State Missions—L. L. Hudson.
Home Missions—W. L. Barrs.
Foreign Missions—Archibald Johnson.
Ministerial Relief—W. A. Hough.
To prepare a program for next session—Paul C. Newton.

George Foster Hankins was appointed to represent the Association at the next session of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention at Winston-Salem.

C. M. Wall was appointed to represent the Association at the next session of the Southern Baptist Convention.

M. L. Kesler made a motion that each church clerk in the Association be requested to forward the church letter to the clerk of the Association before the time of meeting of the Association. The motion was carried.

The following resolutions were offered and heartily adopted:

Resolved, That our most hearty thanks be extended to the Summerville church, her pastor and the good people of this community for the cordial hospitality and splendid entertainment during the sessions of this body. May heaven's richest blessings abide with you.

SUBMITTED BY J. L. SHINN.

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Liberty Baptist Association extend to Brother Archibald Johnson and Dr. J. S. Hardaway a sense of our loss on account of their absence in our meetings and our hope and prayer for their speedy recovery.

SUBMITTED BY J. M. HILLIARD.

F. B. Hamrick made the motion that the minutes of the Woman's Missionary Union proceedings be printed along with the minutes of the association. The motion was carried.

After the singing of Blest Be the Tie that Binds, and benediction by J. M. Hilliard, the association adjourned to meet at Abbotts Creek on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1923.

PAUL C. NEWTON, Clerk. R. S. GREEN, Moderator.

PROCEEDINGS

of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association

SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association met in its sixteenth annual session at Holloway's church, Thursday, August 31, 1922.

The meeting was opened at 10 o'clock with Mrs. R. S. Green, the associational superintendent, presiding.

Mrs. U. A. Hedrick, the sceretary, having moved out of the Association, Miss Sallie L. McCracken was elected secretary pro tem.

Devotional exercises were conducted by the superintendent, who read a part of the first chapter of Mark. Prayer by the pastor.

A most cordial welcome to the visitors was given by Miss Tela Beanblossom of the local society. The pastor, Dr. J. L. Shinn, also spoke a few words of welcome and appreciation of the work.

The superintendent, in delivering her address, urged advancement along many lines. She suggested the addition of Assistant Superintendent, Mission Study Superintendent, and a Personal Service Chairman. She also stressed the importance of keeping ever before us our watchword for the year: "God is able."

The roll call of the societies showed that nine W. M. S., four G. A.'s, one R. A. and seven Sunbeam bands were represented. The reading of the reports by the delegates was an interesting feature, though the work did not show up quite so well as last year.

Mrs. J. J. Roddick, superintendent of the Pilot Mountain W. M. U., was present by invitation and gave a helpful and inspiring message to the Union.

The following subjects were discussed:

What has the 75 Million Campaign done to encourage gifts? Discussed by Mrs. Winona L. Swaim and others.

What the Campaign has done for us in enlistment. Discussed by Miss Tela Beamblossom and Mrs. Luther Curry.

What the Campaign has done for Personal Service. Discussed by Mrs. Roddick, who also presented a plan for obtaining information concerning the personal service rendered by members of the societies.

What the Campaign has done to increase tithers. Discussed by Mrs. Roddick, Mrs. Robbins and Mrs. Green.

After a song, "Onward Christian Soldiers," the following committees were appointed:

Nominating Committee: Mrs. C. M. Wall, Mrs. G. C. Palmer, Mrs. Winona L. Swaim, Mrs. B. R. Cross, Mrs. R. L. Palmer.

Committee on Time and Place: Miss Tela Beanblossom, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Mrs. A. F. Warfford.

Committee on Resolutions: Mrs. Luther Curry, Mrs. L. E. Teague, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle.

Committee on Obituaries: Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Mrs. Bettie Robbins, Mrs. T. N. Burton.

After a chain of prayer the meeting adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting opened with a song, after which Mrs. W. H. Johnson conducted the devotional exercises.

Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Mrs. C. B. Mooney, superintendent of the Mecklenburg-Cabarrus Association, was heartily welcomed by the superintendent; also Mrs. E. F. Mumford, of Wallburg, who has recently moved into the Association, was recognized and welcomed into our Union.

An interesting exercise was given by some of the members of the Holloway's Sunbeam Band. The leader, Mrs. W. H. Johnson, regretted that she could not have a full attendance of the Band on account of diptheria in the community.

An exercise entitled "Why We Know What We Know", stressing the importance of subscribing for our mission magazines, was given by two of the girls from the Orphanage, Lettie Grady and Dora Belle Honeycutt. They were assisted by five other girls who were attending the meeting.

Mrs. D. F. Conrad took charge of the meeting and under her supervision a very interesting program was rendered by a group of young people from the Lexington G. A. and Sunbeam societies.

Our Young People's Work in the Association was discussed by Mrs. Winona L. Swaim. Also a paper was read on the subject by Mrs. Luther Curry. By request Mrs. Curry's paper is published in the proceedings of the meeting and a copy sent to the Biblical Recorder.

Mrs. Roddick presented the matter of furnishing the rooms in the new Baptist hospital at Winston and explained the part that the missionary societies are to take in this work. The delegates were enthusiastic on the subject, but felt that it would be wise to confer with the home societies before making pledges for this object. It is hoped that several rooms will be furnished by the Liberty W. M. U. Each society in the Association was asked to contribute the amount of one dollar to furnish a room in honor of Mrs. L. L. Henry, superintendent of the Charlotte division.

The superintendent stressed the importance of sending in reports promptly and urged that all blanks be filled and returned.

Mrs. W. H. Johnson was called to the chair and presided during the election of officers for the ensuing year, the names being presented by the chairman of the nominating committee, Mrs. C. M. Wall:

Superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Green; Associate Superintendent, Mrs. Winona L. Swaim; Secretary, Miss Sallie L. McCracken; Junior Superintendent, Mrs. Luther Curry; Mission Study Superintendent, Mrs. Harvey Hedrick; Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. C. C. Pritchard.

Report adopted.

Miss Tela Beanblossom presented the report of the committee on time and place, recommending that the next annual meeting be held with the Lexington church on the third Thursday in August, 1923.

Report adopted.

Report of committee on resolutions was read by Mrs. Luther Curry as follows:

Whereas, the women and young ladies of Holloways church, together with their pastor and Sunday school superintendent, have been so thoughtful and congenial in their hospitality toward us, therefore, be it resolved,

First, That we wish to express our hearty thanks and sincere appreciation for the many helpful suggestions by which we can have a part in preaching the gospel to every creature.

Second, That we wish to express our most hearty thanks for the sumptuous dinner served in such beautiful picnic style which was heartily enjoyed by all present.

Report adopted by rising vote.

Committee on obituaries offered the following report through their chairman, Mrs. W. H. Johnson:

Whereas, God in His all-wise providence has taken from our midst our sister, Miss Eliza Hilliard, who for many years was a faithful and useful member of the Lexington W. M. S, and,

Whereas, the W. M. U. of the Liberty Association has lost a faithful member, therefore be it resolved,

First, That we bow in submission to God's will in her death.

Second, That her beautiful example as a personal worker in her society be an inspiration to us to carry on that work she delighted to do.

Third, That we endeavor to follow in her footsteps, going among those who are in need of a kind deed or a word of encouragement.

Fourth, That a copy of these resolutions be recorded on the minutes of the annual meeting.

Report adopted.

Mrs. Mooney brought a message of encouragement to the Union.

After singing "Blest be the Tie that Binds" the meeting was dismissed with prayer by Mrs. Mooney.

LIST OF DELEGATES

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Abbotts Creek—Not represented.

Churchland—Mrs. Henry Lomax, Mrs. L. E. Rickard.

Denton—Mrs. R. A. Allen, Misses Lanta Daniel and Eunice Ward.

Erlanger—Not represented.

Holloways—Mrs. T. G. Briggs, Misses Elva Crook and Tela Beanblossom.

Jersey—Mrs. W. L. Roach, Miss Franklin Palmer.

Lexington—Miss Roxie Sheets, Mrs. G. O. Waggoner, Mrs. C. M. Wall.

Orphanage—Miss Sallie L. McCracken, Miss Lettie Grady.

Stoner's Grove—Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Mrs. C. C. Wrenn, Miss Lean Lomax.

Thomasville—Mrs. Bettie Robbins, Mrs. Chas. Lambeth, Mrs. C. C. Pritchard.

Wallburg—Mrs. C. C. Smith, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle.

SUNBEAMS

Denton—Not represented.

Holloways—Bessie Briggs, Hattie Styres, Aljoha McCarn.

Lexington—By letter.

Orphanage (Durham)—By letter.

Orphanage (Mitchell)—By letter.

Stoner's Grove—Lena Morris, Ruth Wrenn, Norma Carter.

Thomasville—By letter.

GIRLS' AUXILIARY

Denton—Not represented.

Lexington—Violet Crow and Susie Leonard.

Orphanage—Dora Belle Honeycutt.

Thomasville—Vivian Lee Teague, Rolisteen Rockett.

ROYAL AMBASSADOR

Lexington—Ralph Pickard, David Franklin Conrad.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

By MRS. LUTHER CURRY

Eph. 5:16—"Redeem or improve the time for the days are evil." During the world war we said these are perilous times and now, during the strife between capital and labor we say these are critical times. And so we see that the present circumstances alter the conditions of the times. But the scriptures which govern the nature of the past, present, and future, tell us that the days are evil, and that we should improve every mo-

ment in making the time of our sojourn on the earth good instead of evil.

To my mind the greatest need among our young girls is to redeem the times. We who are settled, as we say, in life think there is more time wasted by the young girls in pleasure seeking than ever before in the history of civilization. There seems to be a pleasure lovng mania existing among young people today that nothing, not even wars, famines, nor any other pestilence, can check. So we might say these are times when the growth of the church, the spread of the gospel to heathen lands, and the moral standing of our womanhood, are all hampered by the overwhelming desire for entertainment. Times when young girls are willing to leave all the household and church duties to mother and grandmother in order that their own selfish desires for fun may be carried out. I'm not a mother, but it's plain to all right thinking people today that our young girls demand too many sacrifices of mother's strength and happiness, for the good of future generations. If we lived and died to ourselves it would not matter so much about the things we do or fail to do, but knowing as we do that the future growth of the church, and moral worth of American womanhood depends largely on what our young people are today, we can plainly see the great need of improving the time, not only for our own welfare but the welfare of the coming generations.

If our girls prefer the dance to the prayer meeting, the joy ride to the church services, or rag-time music to wholesome gospel songs, or a game of cards to helping little brothers and sisters with their Sunday school or literary lessons, or vacation at a fashionable resort to helping mother with the thousand and one responsibilities that stoop her shoulders, gray her hair, and rob her of the chance to visit the sick, comfort the troubled, and of many a desire to get out and improve the time for the Lord; or rather, in short, if our girls ignore the worth while fine things of life and prefer the frivolous lusts of the earth, what will be the moral, as well as the spiritual outcome of American womanhood? May the Lord help us to improve the time for the days are evil. Woman is said to be the backbone of the church, and if so how is the church to thrive, if our present day girls do not prepare themselves to assume their places as leaders in Sunday school, mission bands and church work in general. Every young girl should be jealous for the Sunday school and mission band and try to make them the best in the country. If they manifested as much interest in church functions as in social affairs, our Sunday school rooms and churches would have to be enlarged at once. Announce a party and every invited individual is eager to attend; announce a prayer service and most of the church membership excuse themselves with their own selfish interests. Improve the time, girls, that it might be well with us when Jesus comes.

CHURCH	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE	Time of Preaching	Value Church Property	GAINS			LOSSES			No. Males	No. Females	Total Membership
					Baptisms	Letters	Restoration	Letters	Exclusion	Deaths			
Abbotts Creek	J. M. Hilliard, High Point	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	3rd	2,000	16			3		2	69	124	193
Center Hill	J. L. Shinn, Southmont	C. A. Owen, Southmont	4th	2,000	2	1		3			48	71	119
Churchland	J. P. Crouch, Linwood	J. R. Beeker, Linwood	1st, 3rd	10,000	42		1	3	2	3	85	139	224
Denton	W. A. Hough, Denton	A. L. Sinder, Denton	2nd, 4th	6,000	2	3		8	2		103	108	211
Erlanger	L. L. Hudson, Erlanger	J. L. Hembree, Erlanger	1st, 3rd		17	18		2			65	95	160
Gravel Hill	W. A. Hough, Denton	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	1st	600	1			2	1		24	25	49
Holloways	J. L. Shinn, Southmont	G. C. Palmer, High Rock	2nd	1,500	11			3		2	82	120	202
Jersey	H. T. Penry, Mocksville	L. A. Smith, Linwood	4th	3,500	8		1	2			62	87	149
Lexington	No Pastor	Ed F. Smith, Lexington	Every	45,000	1	16	1	20			215	313	528
Liberty	W. A. Hough, Denton	H. P. May, Cid, Rt. 1	3rd	6,000	18	1				2	54	91	145
New Friendship	V. M. Swaim, Winston-Salem	A. J. Hartman, W.-Salem	1st	5,000	5	3		1		3	54	84	138
Lick Creek	No Report												
Oak Hill	J. A. Clark, High Point	M. F. Underwood, Trinity	3rd	1,500							13	25	38
Oak Grove	B. R. Crowder, Winston-Salem	Ash Johnson, Kernersville	3rd	1,500	1	1		5		2	16	20	36
Orphanage	J. S. Hardaway, Thomasville	L. W. Bagley, Thomasville	**2nd, 4th**		39	22		44			121	278	399
Reeds	W. L. Barrs, Lexington, Rt. 3	Arlie Myers, Lexington, R 3	**2nd, 4th**	5,000		5				2	1 01	128	229
Rich Fork	W. L. Barrs, Lexington, Rt. 3	T. H. Small, Thomasville, R 1	3rd	2,500	5			2		3	54	102	156
Smith Grove	F. W. Frye, Salisbury, R.F.D.	L. T. Yarbrough, Salisbury, R1	4th	2,000	6						53	60	113
Southside	C. E. Crissman, High Point	J. A. Simpson, Thomasville	**1, 3, 4**	1,200	7	10		3	7		19	32	51
Stoners Grove	J. L. Shinn, Southmont	Robert Barnes, Southmont	1st, 3rd	4,000	11	2		3		2	67	78	145
Summerville	D. P. Morris, Norwood	M. L. Bean, High Point	1st	1,500	8		1			3	102	124	226
Taylors Grove	D. P. Morris, Norwood	D. M. Summey, Chandler	3rd	1,500		2				1	5	9	14
Thomasville	J. S. Hardaway, Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	Every	20,000	7	14		12	3	2	124	181	305
Walters Grove	W. A. Hough, Denton	J. T. Pierce, Cid	4th	500	5	1	1			2	14	27	41
Wallburg	E. F. Mumford, Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	2nd, 4th			5		3			57	84	141
Welcome	W. L. Barrs, Lexington, Rt. 3	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	2nd	3,700	4	4		1			30	25	55
				126,500	216	108	5	120	15	19	1637	2430	4067

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SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	SUPERINTENDENT AND POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY AND POSTOFFICE	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Church Members in S. S.	Months Open	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions	Orphanage	Other Objects	Total Contributions
Abbotts Creek	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	J. P. Traynham, High Point	1	7	80	87	45	12	12	60.00	.....	80.00	19.60	159.60
Center Hill	Jno. F. Jarratt, Linwood	S. E. Jarratt, Linwood	1	6	66	72	.....	12	1	28.88	.....	35.89	18.72	82.99
Churchland	W. H. Lomax, Linwood	Miss Flossie McBride, Linwood	1	14	190	204	135	12	35	76.04	14.00	98.40	60.00	242.44
Denton	L. A. Newsom, Denton	Miss Ellen Newsom, Denton	1	8	215	223	116	12	1	93.90	.....	48.29	36.91	179.00
Erlanger	W. H. Brown, Erlanger	J. F. Carlton, Erlanger	1	12	538	550	50	12	15	100.00	50.00	50.00	200.00	400.00
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Riley's Store	Baxter Russell, Rileys Store	1	6	70	76	40	12	1	17.00	.....	.....	5.00	22.00
Holloways	Grover C. Palmer, High Rock	Otis Hedrick, High Rock	1	8	146	154	75	12	11	25.00	.....	30.00	.....	55.00
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	R. L. Palmer, Linwood	1	8	110	119	.....	12	2	31.59	.....	17.05	.....	48.64
Lexington	B. C. Philpot, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	1	18	480	498	300	12	1	360.00	114.42	280.99	41.00	796.41
Liberty	N. T. Kindley, Cid	Miss Mamie Hepler, Thomasville	1	7	65	72	50	12	14	29.63	.....	.....	.....	29.63
Lick Creek	No Report		.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Friendship	Elmer Snyder, W.-Salem	.....	1	.....	.....	162	.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.08
Oak Hill	E. Searles, Thomasville	Joe D. Welborn, Thomasville	1	5	58	63	25	12	.....	5.08	.....	.....	.....	30.32
Oak Grove	H. W. Ingram, W.-Salem	Ash Johnson, Kernersville	1	4	36	40	23	12	.....	14.71	.....	15.61	.....	960.78
Orphanage	C. L. Millsaps, Thomasville	Palmer Robinson, Thomasville	1	43	467	510	399	12	39	125.02	153.36	8.41	673.99	.....
Reeds	C. H. Fritts, Lexington	Edwin Hunt, Lexington	1	15	223	238	150	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	Ruth Edinger, Thomasville	1	9	155	164	57	12	.....	30.00	.....	17.00	.....	47.00
Smith Grove	G. A. Clement, Linwood	C. E. Young, Linwood	1	8	67	75	30	12	.....	27.01	.....	4.10	.....	31.11
Southside	J. A. Simpson, Thomasville	Odell Beck, Thomasville	1	6	165	171	20	12	3	71.44	.....	26.01	8.75	106.20
Stoners Grove	S. E. Wafford, Linwood	S. N. Wafford, Southmont	1	11	140	151	90	12	10	120.00	15.32.	144.46	.....	279.78
Summerville	Alex Snider, High Rock	J E. Rogers, High Rock	1	6	59	65	45	12	4	16.52	.....	.....	.....	16.52
Taylors Grove	R. L. West, Tuckertown	Grace Bailey, Chandler	1	6	64	70	10	6	.....	8.02	.....	7.00	.....	15.02
Thomasville	Paul C. Newton, Thomasville	A. Z. Boles, Thomasville	1	13	375	388	175	12	6	245.66	.....	454.54	201.74	901.94
Walters Grove	J. T. Pierce, Cid	Clara Pierce, Cid	1	5	65	70	15	12	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wallburg	E. O. Wall, Wallburg	J. H. Yokeley, Wallburg	1	9	110	119	50	12	.....	75.15	.....	106.06	60.14	241.35
Welcome	M. L. Craver, Welcome	M. O. Haynes, Welcome	1	8	80	88	45	12	1	12.00	.....	16.05	10.00	38.05
			25	209	3557	3919	1945	....	159	1572.65	347.10	1439.86	1335.85	4688.86

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES, SUNBEAMS, GIRLS' AUXILIARIES, AND ROYAL AMBASSADOR STATISTICAL TABLE

W. M. S.	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	No. Members	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Loan Fund	State Missions	Orphanage	Christian Education	Bible Fund	Margaret Fund	Training School	Old Ministers	75 Million Campaign	Hospitals	Total to 75 Million Campaign	Other Objects	State Expenses	Asso. Expenses	Total
Abbotts Creek	Mrs. D. S. Hayworth	Miss Minnie Hayworth	14	20.00				50.00								70.00		1.00		71.00
Churchland	Mrs. W. A. Beeker	Mrs. O. T. Davis	20	11.25	5.00	2.00	11.80	35.00				2.00				67.05	71.50	2.00	1.00	141.55
Denton	Mrs. A. L. Snider	Mrs. Mary E. Davis	18				5.00	15.50						140.45		160.95		2.00	1.00	163.95
Erlanger	Mrs. Meta Myers	Mrs. J. H. Shytle	20														60.00			60.00
Holloways	Mrs. B. R. Cross	Mrs. T. G. Briggs	34					5.00												
Jersey	Mrs. R. L. Palmer	Miss Sadie Sharpe	22			5.00		16.67	19.55			6.00		90.35		95.35		1.50		96.85
Lexington	Mrs. J. K. Hankins	Mrs. E. G. Hunt	100	206.55	142.33	174.30	165.02	148.00				7.50		56.60		103.82	124.00	1.00	1.25	230.07
Orphanage	Miss Beatrice Council	Miss Sallie L. McCracken		261.33	157.94		128.90	346.72	164.81	9.40	28.87	69.65	36.67		70.82	1275.11	37.50	4.00	5.00	1321.61
Rich Fork	Mrs. T. L. Kanoy	Mrs. Sallie Orrender	17											22.30		22.30				22.30
Stoners Grove	Mrs. A. F. Warfford	Miss Zula Wrenn	16	16.87	16.70	3.60	12.65	54.56				4.00				108.38		.50	1.00	109.88
Thomasville	Mrs. R. S. Green	Mrs. L. E. Teague	34	51.15	39.50	31.25	42.05	272.53				12.00		266.70		715.18	24.10	3.00	3.15	745.43
Wallburg	Miss Lula Motsinger	Mrs. J. B. Motsinger	15	18.00	18.00	5.00	20.00	50.00				12.00		70.00		193.00	15.00	1.00	3.00	212.00
			220	585.15	379.47	221.15	385.42	993.98	184.36	9.40	28.87	113.15	36.67	666.40	70.82	3674.84	416.10	21.00	17.90	4129.84
SUNBEAMS	LEADER	PRESIDENT																		
Denton	Mrs. Mary E. Davis	Mary Harris	18	1.00												1.00				1.00
Holloways	Mrs. W. H. Johnson	Dorothy McCarn	24																	
Lexington	Mrs. T. N. Burton	Jessie Sink	57	10.00				52.72	1.00		1.00			4.61		4.61				4.61
Orphanage, Mitchell	Mrs. Maggie Scarboro	Lydia Williams	34	7.60	9.34		2.66				3.76			12.67		77.39				77.39
Orphanage, Durham	Miss Kate Warwick	Milton Waits	40	3.25	1.00		2.26	2.82	2.00	7.41						23.36				23.36
Stoners Grove	Miss Lala Feezor	Miss Texie Warfford	25	1.55	1.25		1.30	7.95	.20						2.25	20.99				20.99
Thomasville	Mrs. C. F. Lambeth	Clarence Reitzel	48	8.55			12.66				2.00		.20			12.45				12.45
Wallburg	Lena Tuttle	Louise Mumford	30					25.00						15.04		38.25		2.00		40.25
			266	31.95	11.59		18.88	88.49	3.20	7.41	6.76		.20	34.14	2.25	26.82				26.82
G. A.	LEADER	PRESIDENT														204.87		2.00		206.87
Denton	Mrs. U. A. Hedrick	Mamie Tysinger	13				1.14	2.00								3.14				3.14
Lexington	Mrs. D. F. Conrad	Eugenia Webster		10.00	5.15	5.00	10.00	20.00	3.18		2.00	2.00				57.33	5.00			62.33
Orphanage	Miss Lois Miller	Dora Belle Honeycutt	40	2.30	1.00		1.90	7.84	1.76	.70	.71	2.80			.45	19.46				19.46
Thomasville	Mrs. C. M. Howell	Margaret Reitzel	21		.72			3.17	1.50		1.70	1.72		2.00		10.81				10.81
Wallburg	Mrs. J. W. Tuttle	Dorothy Pike	7													3.20				3.20
			81	12.30	6.87	5.00	13.04	33.01	6.44	.70	4.41	6.52		2.00	.45	93.94	5.00			98.94
R. A.	LEADER	PRESIDENT																		
Lexington	D. F. Conrad	Vann Miller		2.50	5.00	1.15	3.00	22.75				1.00				35.40				35.40

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C. A. Owens, D.D. ..... Lexington, N. C.
J. M. Hilliard ..... High Point, N. C.
J. S. Hardaway, D.D. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
M. L. Kesler, D.D. ..... Thomasville, N. C.
V. M. Swaim ..... Winston-Salem, N. C.
F. W. Frye ..... Thomasville, N. C.
C. E. Crissman ..... High Point, N. C.
Jeff Lanning ..... Denton, N. C.
D. P. Morris ..... Norwood, N. C.
W. A. Hough ..... Denton, N. C.
H. T. Penry ..... Southmont, N. C.
G. L. Merrell ..... Thomasville, N. C.
James A. Clark ..... High Point, N. C.
B. R. Crowder ..... Winston-Salem, N. C.
J. D. Newton ..... Thomasville, N. C.
J. A. Combs ..... Erlanger, N. C.
W. L. Barrs ..... Rt. 3, Lexington, N. C.
E. F. Mumford ..... Wallburg, N. C.
C. H. Trueblood ..... Thomasville, N. C.
E. W. Byerly ..... Thomasville, N. C.
W. A. Sowers ..... Wallburg, N. C.
H. A. Powell ..... Cid, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMMITTEE

Paul C. Newton
C. M. Wall
G. W. Miller
George Foster Hankins
S. E. Warfford
M. L. Kesler

MINUTE FUND APPORTIONMENT

Abbotts Creek	$5.00
Center Hill	2.00
Churchland	5.00
Denton	5.00
Erlanger	3.00
Gravel Hill	2.00
Holloways	4.00
Huldah	1.50
Jersey	5.00
Lexington	10.00
Liberty	3.00
Lick Creek	3.00
New Friendship	4.00
Oak Hill	1.00
Orphanage	8.00
Reeds	5.00
Rich Fork	4.00
Smith Grove	3.00
Southside	2.00
Westfield	1.00
Stoners Grove	5.00
Summerville	**2.50**
Taylor's Grove	1.00
Thomasville	8.00
Wallburg	5.00
Walter's Grove	1.00
Welcome	2.00

PROCEEDINGS

of the Ninetieth Annual Session of the Liberty Baptist Association

Abbotts Creek Church, Sept. 4, 1923.

The 90th session of the Liberty Baptist association convened with the church at Abbotts Creek on Tuesday, September 4, 1923. Devotional services were conducted by J. L. Shinn. Moderator E. S. Wofford called the body to order and the following messengers enrolled:

Abbotts Creek—C. H. Teague, N. R. Teague, D. S. Hayworth.

Center Hill—M. Y. Shoemaker, I. G. Yarbrough, E. D. Jarrett.

Churchland—S. E. Simerson, S. R. Simerson, L. E. Rickard, A. C. Kesler, O. Davis, W. A. Young.

Denton—Ellis Tysinger, Theodore Davis, Stokes Tysinger.

Erlanger—T. F. Bishop, Grady Haynes, G. C. Guin.

Holloways—T. L. Palmer, J. A. McCarn, W. H. Johnson.

Jersey—Fred Sowers, Will Smith.

Lexington—C. M. Wall, G. W. Miller, G. F. Hawkins.

Liberty—N. T. Kindley, Mrs. R. R. Kindley, O. F. Hughes, Charles Sowers.

Lick Creek—W. S. Carrick, S. H. Cross, J. E. Skeen.

New Friendship—Conrad Motsinger, E. L. Snyder, Erastus Swaim.

Oak Grove—Rev. B. R. Crowder, Ben Johnson, C. A. Brendle.

Oak Hill—Theresa Welborn, Clarice Welborn, Joe Welborn.

Orphanage—Mrs. M. L. Kesler, F. B. Hamrick, G. L. Merrell.

Reeds—J. R. Craver, J. F. Foster.

Rich Fork—R. L. Bowers, Stimp Everhart, Willie Bowers, Thos. Everhart, T. H. Small.

Southside—A. A. Wagstaff, Frank Huitt.

Smith Grove—L. T. Yarbrough.

Stoner's Grove—C. C. Wren, Ronald Wall, S. E. Warfford.

Summerville—W. H. Carrick, Mrs. W. H. Carrick, Walter Bean.

Taylor's Grove—R. L. West, A. H. Michael, Grace Bailey, Mrs. Richard B. West.

Thomasville—L. E. Teague, Archibald Johnson, Paul Newton, C. M. Howell, Mrs. Bettie Robbins, Mrs. M. S. Stone.

Wallburg—J. C. Wall, C. C. Smith, Joseph H. Yokeley, Mrs. Phoebe Clinard.

Walters Grove—Lytle Gallimore, J. T. Pierce.

Welcome—W. S. Disher.

The association then elected officers by acclamation as follows:

Archibald Johnson, moderator; C. M. Wall, Vice-Moderator, Paul Newton, Clerk & Treasurer.

C. H. Trueblood of Thomasville First church and C. A. Owens of Lexington First church were recognized as new pastors in the association.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body:

Prof. J. T. Alderman, Tar River association.

Clarence Smith, Piedmont association.

J. L. Shinn, Riverside association, Tenn.

C. E. Maddry, Corresponding Secretary.

W. R. Beach of Hillsboro representing the Biblical Recorder.

The following order of business was adopted:

TUESDAY, SEPT. 4.

9:30 Devotional Exercises.
10:00 Enrollment of messengers and election of officers.
10:30 Miscellaneous Business.
10:50 Biblical Recorder.
11:15 State Missions.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 Orphanage.
2:30 Foreign Missions.
3:15 Ministerial Relief.
3:45 Baptist Hospital.
4:00 Miscellaneous Business.
8:00 Sermon, Rev. W. L. Barrs.

The following report on Biblical Recorder was read by Paul Newton, and an amendment by Archibald Johnson.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Biblical Recorder was founded by Thomas Meredith eighty-nine years ago. It has served as a mouth-piece for the Baptists through all these years. It's circulation for 1922 was around 17,300, notwithstanding it could not pay its way but for the other interests of the Biblical Recorder Publishing Company. They own a printing plant, the building and some other invested funds that enable them to send the Recorder for $2.00 per year.

The Baptist State Convention has an equal vote with the Recorder directors in selecting the editor.

The Baptist State Convention at Winston-Salem and the B. Y. P. U. Convention at High Point have endorsed the proposition to put on a state-wide campaign for new and renewal subscriptions during the months of September and October of this year. This is simply a campaign to put the Recorder in the homes of our folks for the good it will do the people and the churches, and is purely on the basis of loyalty of the Recorder and the work it is doing for the Baptist State Convention in North Carolina. I have been authorized to say there is no contest with any other paper and that no premiums or commissions will be paid for subscriptions.

I recommend that this association endorse the action of the Baptist State Convention and the B. Y. P. U. Convention that during the months of September and October the various churches throughout the association secure new and renewal subscriptions to our church paper.

Respectfully submitted,

D. F. CONRAD.

In support of the recommendation made to secure the new and renewal subscriptions to the Recorder I offer the following to wit;

Resolved: Forst, that each church in the Liberty association obligate to increase their subscriptions to the Recorder 25 per cent. Second, that the delegates elected to this association be made a committee to carry out the purposes of this resolution. Third, that the new subscriptions be made a part of the report at our next association.

D. F. CONRAD.

The report was discussed by W. R. Beach and F. B. Hamrick. The report along with the amendment was adopted.

The report on State Missions was read by H. T. Penry as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The work of the state mission board is growing by leaps and bounds. There is more demands now for assistance than ever before, and our resources are wholly inadequate to meet the needs pressing on us from every side. For the work of the year 1923 the board at the December meeting appropriated a total of $126,000.00 for all phases and departments of the work. Of this amount $64,209.00 was appropriated for missionary's salaries.

We have on our board this year 175 missionaries. We have a corps of four evangelists with H. T. Stevens as superintendent. These men are busy all the time and will make a wonderful report at the next Convention. This department is almost self-sustaining.

In the department of enlistment and country churches we have six men with A. C. Hamby as secretary.

Unless we go forward in every phase of our state mission work, we are going to loose ground rapidly in the next decade The state is spending millions in education. Rural schools are being consolidated and in almost every township a local tax has been levied. Splendid school houses are being built, and there are 550 high schools in the state with 1800 teachers who have had the equivalent of two years in college. Our colleges are crowded. North Carolina is rapidly taking her place among the foremost states along the line of education. In agriculture the state is making rapid strides. In manufacturing it is rapidly becoming a great manufacturing center. The harnessing of the water power and the hydro-electric development.

We are training a generation of young church members in the B.Y.P.U. who will literally transform our churches in a few years. We are overwhelmed with the problem of church building in backward communities, and growing educational centers.

The W.M.U. department under the leadership of Mrs. W. N. Jones and Miss Mary Warner is making progress in a very heartening and gratifying way. New societies are constantly being organized and the doctrine and practice of the New Testament stewardship is being taught and being cultivated in our churches.

The W.M.U. is slowly but surely transforming the devotional and spiritual lives of our churches.

These women are doing splendid things in the matter of forming fields, and securing better equipment for the churches. Increasing pastor's salary and building up the country church in a marvellous way.

Secretary E. L. Middleton is directing the Sunday school with ever increasing efficiency. The Sunday school has gone forward in a way to cheer us all. North Carolina ranks as one of the most forward looking and progressive states of the South.

Under the leadership of Perry Morgan the B.Y.P.U. of North Carolina has gone and expanded in a way that seems almost miraculous to some of us who had to do with its day of small beginnings. There are now 1150 unions in the state. Miss Elma Leigh Farabow is leading the Juniors and Intermediates in a wonderful way.

The good roads. There are many more items but these

will suffice. What about the effect onour country churches 1900 in number? There are still some of our country towns without preaching. There are 300 pastorless churches in the state. There are at least 1600 churches with once a month preaching. There are 1200 churches served with absentee pastors. At least 60 per cent of the Baptists have had no part in the 75 million campaign. There are 325,000 Baptists in the state and one-half of that number are unlisted and undeveloped. Will our present program keep pace with the state along the lines of the development of material things.? No.

Respectfully submitted,

H. T. PENRY.

The report was discussed by Chas E. Maddry and was adopted.

The moderator appointed the following committees:

Finance: G. W. Miller, Noah Teague and L. E. Teague.

To Nominate Executive Committee: G. W. Wall, W. A. Hough, J. D. Newton.

Place and Preacher: F. B. Hamrick, E. F. Mumford, C. A. Owens.

AFTERNOON

Under miscellaneous business a request was received from the Oak Grove church for a letter to unite with the Pilot Mountain association. The request was granted and the clerk was ordered to prepare the letter.

The Westfield church made application for membership in the Association. The following committee was appointed to investigate the application for membership: W. A. Hough, J. M. Hilliard and F. B. Hamrick.

Upon the recommendation of the above committee and the decision of the body the Westfield church was received and welcomed as a member of the association.

The report on the Orphanage was read by G. F. Hankins, as follows:

REPORT ON THE ORPHANAGE

It is impossible for me to make a lengthy or detailed report on the Orphanage. My acquaintance with the details is too limited, and time and patience would not permit.

There are three reasons why I think we should continue to nourish and support loyally this institution; and I wish to place this association on record as endorsing.

The wisdom ,loyalty, courage and vision of the founders and early strength of the Orphanage is a challenge to the best that

which is in us, for its growth and perpetuity.

It is the one vital living department of our denouinational work that keeps us in constant touch with the crying needs of suffering youth, and keeps us humble before our Father.

The Orphanage is the one means whereby we are able as a denomination to link ourselves with all the glories and prospects that the coming years shall bring.

For three reasons I feel that we should unhesitatingly and loyally endorse and uphold in all the years this worthy and life-lifting institution.

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. HANKINS.

The report was discussed by G. F. Hankins, J. M. Hilliard, F. B. Hamrick, J. A. Combs and was adopted.

The report on Foreign Missions was read by Paul Newton as follows:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

There are 891 churches in sixteen foreign lands under the Foreign Mission board of the Southern Baptist Convention. 211 of these churches are practically self-supporting. 442 of them have their out-stations, making a total of nearly 4,000 places in which the gospel is regularly proclaimed.

Last year broke all previous records in the number of baptisms. There were 12,611 persons baptized, which is 4,720 more than the previous year. There are in all 103,328 church members who gave an average of $4.23 per capita last year. 1,447 Sunday schools were reported with an enrollment of 67,407.

There are now on the field 501 missionaries with 2,820 native missionaries.

The board reported a debt of $403,000.00 at the last Southern Baptist convention. The board is not to be blamed for this debt. They have been very conservative in their enlargement of the work. The churches have failed to pay what they pledged. If they had faithfully met their obligations the board would not owe a dollar, and the force on the field could be substantially increased.

There is just one way to relieve the situation and set the board free to go on with its glorious work and that is for the churches to pay what they honestly owe to the 75 million campaign fund. In our own association we have fallen far behind, and in proportion as we failed to meet our obligations we are responsible for the crushing debt that hampers and hinders the work of the board.

We have only a little more than a year to redeem our pledges

and thus clear our skirts. Some of our churches have faithfully and loyally met their pledges but many others have fallen far short of their duty.

The time was never so propitious for a great forward movement in Foreign Missions. The world is in turmoil and confusion. The nations of the old world are in distress and despair. Everything except Christianity seems to have gone to wreck and ruin. But the Word of the Lord standeth sure.

Chief Justice Taft gives it as his opinion that the Christian missionaries in heathen lands are doing more to steady the tottering governments than all the representatives of all the countries in their official capacity.

We know that the only hope of the heathen is the light of life which we hold in our hands. Spreading this light to the ends of the earth is the chief obligation of the churches of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON.

The report was discussed by G. T. Lumpkin and was adopted.

The report on Ministerial Relief was read by W. A. Hough as follows:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Every one should rejoice because of the marked forward step which has been taken in Ministerial Relief in the last four years.

By comparing the figures for the year 1920 and 1923 it will be seen that a new day has come for our aged, worn-out and disabled preachers, their widows and orphans. In 1920 there were 500 beneficiaries receiving $62,217.61: In 1923 there were 925 receiving $113,332.15. Total assets for 1920 were $162,123.10. In 1923 $1,490,193.59.

In the past three years since the beginning of the seventy-five million campaign the average increase in allowance paid to the beneficiaries has been $61,000.00 per year.

This increase is very gratifying, yet we are by no means doing all we should do.

In North Carolina we have seventy-eight beneficiaries—forty-three preachers and thirty-five widows. Doubtless there are many worn-out preachers in our convention whose last days are not as comfortable and happy as they should be because of their financial condition. Doubtless there are families of deceased Baptist preachers that of necessity have been scattered here and there, or forced into menial drudgery as a penalty for having been born in the home of a Baptist preacher. We should,

through the relief fund, hold them together, even if only in an humble cottage.

We should make it clear to the young man who feels impressed to enter the ministry that after he has given himself whole-heartedly to the work, spent himself freely, if he should die or fall in the work or grow old in it, we would not permit his family to suffer, nor him to suffer in his declining years.

Lets speak of relief work so that our word can be accepted at par and thus remove a hindrance to our most talented entering the ministry—put new life in our preachers and greatly increase our efficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. HOUGH.

The report was discussed by W. A. Hough, J. M. Hilliard, G. T. Lumpkin and was adopted.

Prof. J. T. Alderman was recognized and requested any one having old records of proceedings of Baptist associations or other information of historical value to loan them to him for use in writing a permanent record of the Baptists of North Carolina.

The report on the Baptist Hospital was read as follows by G. T. Lumpkin.

REPORT ON HOSPITAL

The North Carolina Baptist hospital is one of the larger results of the 75 million campaign. It was conceived by our best thinkers and their untiring interest secured a place on the program for this department for a larger ministry. It is the last segment in the circle of Christian service and carries out the spirit and teaching of our Lord and Master.

A little more than three years ago the Convention began the movement for building in our state a temple of healing. A commission was appointed and after careful and prayerful consideration selected the present site. Just a little over a year ago we began the construction of the present building. The work was thoroughly as well as rapidly perfected and on May 28th of this year the hospital was opened for the service of humanity.

Until now the building has not been entirely completed and we have opened for patients only three floors or about two-thirds capacity. The fifth floor we are now using for nurses' quarters.

The grounds on which the building stands is most delightfully located on one of the most beautiful elevations in the state. There are about ten acres of land which cost $40,000.00. It is in the city limits and is now worth around $75,000.00. The building and equipment cost about $240,000.00 besides the cost of the grounds.

It is a model plant and the last word in hospital construction and creation. The equipment is the very best we could buy. We are prepared to give to our people the most up-to-date and comfortable hospital facilities in the South. Our medical fraternity is unsurpassed in the state fitted by training and experience to do the best work.

The hospital determines to create a Christian atmosphere and to become a great home for healing with all the sacred environment of a Christian institution to inspire those who seek health within its doors.

In the 75 million campaign no funds were set aside for maintenance. But at a joint meeting of the state mission board and the board of education, $20,000.00 was set aside to provide supplies for opening and to meet the cost of opening and getting on our feet. One-half of this has been paid in.

We are having calls for help from needy suffering brothers and sisters all over North Carolina and we cannot turn these cries aside. It is up to our people to go beyond their pledges and make special contributions to this institution to take care of our sick, for suffering dying men and women cannot wait.

The training school has been opened. We have a few girls already and others are preparing to enter. We have no nurses' home and must rent at a fearful cost rooms to house these nurses. We are praying that some good brother will see his way to build us a nurses' home in the near future.

We have a great institution and are prepared to serve our people at the most vital point and in the most extreme moment of life. We challenge North Carolina Baptists to answer the cry and provide the funds to take care of our needy suffering brethren even as our Master has commanded.

Respectfully submitted,

G. T. LUMPKIN.

The report was discussed by G. T. Lumpkin and was adopted. It was also ordered that the report be printed in the minutes.

4:00: Under miscellaneous business W. L. Barrs made the suggestion that he expected to bring before the association the matter of changing the time of meeting of the association to one month later at tomorrow's session.

On motion the association adjourned to meet again at 8:00 P. M.

EVENING SERVICE

The evening service was devoted to the annual sermon which was preached by W. L. Barrs from Matt. 16:18, the subject of the sermon being "An Ideal Church."

Wednesday Morning

Devotional services were conducted by J. D. Newton and the association was called to order by the moderator.

Minutes of the previous day were read and approved. The moderator appointed the following brethren to prepare reports for the next session:

Biblical Recorder—E. F. Mumford.
Woman's Work—C. A. Owens.
Orphanage—W. A. Hough.
State of Churches—F. B. Hamrick.
Sunday Schools—W. L. Barrs.
Education—C. F. Gaddy.
State Missions—C. H. Trueblood.
Home Missions—J. A. Combs.
Foreign Missions—G. F. Hankins.
Ministerial Relief—M. L. Kesler.
B.Y.P.U.—Prevette Westmoreland.
Baptist Hospital—C. M. Wall.

The report on B. Y. P. U. was read by Paul C. Newton as follows:

REPORT ON B.Y.P.U.

The Baptist Young People's Union of America was organized in 1890. It came into life because of the wide-spread effect of the Christian Endeavor movement, and was a noble effort to so organize the Baptist young people as to keep them identified with our own work and under our own influence. The first Convention was held in Chicago in 1891.

In the south, the new organization attracted much attention. Many of the brethren found in it that which they especially desired.

In 1893, a committee reported to the Southern Baptist Convention, commending the organization of societies in the local churches, and that these societies "be under the sole authority of the church, without international affiliation."

The southern B.Y.P.U. was organized in Atlanta, Ga., November, 1896.

The present B.Y.P.U. of North Carolina was organized at Ridgecrest in 1909. The first state convention was held with the Second Baptist church, Durham, June 1910. About ten unions with approximately 350 members were represented at the convention. The work has grown marvelously since that time. There are now in the state 1180 unions with a membership of over forty thousand.

There are two whole time B.Y.P.U. workers. They are avail-

able for both city and country churches. The B.Y.P.U. headquarters is 214 Biblical Recorder Bldg., Raleigh, N. C. The workers are Perry Morgan, General Secretary, and Miss Elma Leigh Farabow, Secretary Junior and Intermediate work.

The object of the Baptist Young People's Union, as given in the B. Y. P. U. Manual, shall be the increased spirituality of the young Christians; their training in essential church activities; their edification in Scriptural knowledge; their instruction in Baptist doctrine and history; their enlistment in all forms of missionary endeavor through existing denominational organizations. The object of the B.Y.P.U. is, in brief, inspiration, preparation and service.

The B.Y.P.U is the training service of the Baptist churches and as such should be under church control, supported by the church financially and otherwise. The church should elect its officers, publicly install them and recognize them as church officers and call upon them for reports. The B.Y.P.U. is a church task and should be assumed seriously as such by the church. Churches are weak because the members are weak. In the future our churches will be strong in just the proportion that we train and enlist our constituency in kingdom service.

If we are diligent to conserve the possibilities wrapped up in the youth of our churches the time will speedily come when we will have a trained constituency that will completely and effectively revolutionize the life of the same. May North Carolina Baptists seize upon the opportunity, which is now golden, to conserve, harness and develop the wonderful and powerful mines and reservoirs of unused spiritual and material resources lying dormant in the hearts and lives of our fine young people.

Today the B.Y.P.U. outlook is splendid in every way. The work is featured in local churches, conventions, assemblies, city training schools, colleges and seminaries. Our literature is well adapted to the needs of our young church members. Our Standard of Excellence has unified the activities of the unions. Our text books are being studied widely, our Bible Reader's Course is increasingly popular and helpful. Pastors are friends of the work almost without exception. Sunday school superintendents depend upon the B.Y.P.U. to train up workers. The ministry and the mission fields get their recruits from the B.Y.P.U. more and more. Thank God for the B.Y.P.U.

The report was discussed by C. H. Trueblood and was adopted.

The report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. R. S. Green as follows.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

The purpose of the organization of the Woman's Missionary union auxiliary to the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina is to stimulate the missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and children of our churches and to aid in the collection of funds. We feel that in the organized work in our association that this spirit has been caught and that the work has prospered during the past year along all lines.

All over our state greater interest has been manifested. Last year meetings were held in 51 of the 56 associations organized and nearly all of these were attended by state officers.

Mission study has been stressed and this alone has increased missionary interest, as information is one of the cornerstones of building up this interest.

Some one has said, "Know and you will feel. Know and you will give. Know and you will pray." And the Woman's Missionary union would add prayer to the many other lines of activity which our leaders foster and encourage. The systematic giving which is practiced by our women has greatly aided all churches that have these organizations in raising their pledges and keeping them up. Instead of being an extra burden as some brethren seem prone to believe they have proved to be one of the greatest assets of the church. The women of our state have already gone beyond their apportionment in the campaign though they will be compelled to do valiant work in the year ahead if they meet their pledges.

Tithing and stewardship have been stressed all over the state and at the present time 2498 tithers have been reported.

In the Liberty association $3638.35 has been given by the women and children for the different objects of the campaign. In addition to this $999.61 has been given to our Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem through the efforts of our women. These gifts to the hospital are not credited to the campaign but are given over and above as special offerings. Besides this the women have given about $1000.00 for other objects in their local work.

The associational meeting held with the Lexington church on Aug 16th was well attended and fine reports were made.

One W.M.S. and one Sunbeam band have been organized during the year, and the outlook seems promising for more new societies in the near future.

The women crave the help of our brethren and especially our pastors in enlisting the women in our unorganized churches.

Pray that the Lord may send forth laborers into the harvest.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. R. S. GREEN.

The report was discussed by Dr. R. T. Vann and Rev. J. M. Hilliard, and was adopted.

In the absence of a report on State of the churches the subject was discussed by M. L. Kesler, C. H. Trueblood, W. A. Hough, J. A. Combs, W. L. Barrs, J. M. Hilliard, C. A. Owens, C. M. Wall and R. T. Vann.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Dr. J. S. Hardaway was elected to represent the association at the Baptist State Convention.

Archibald Johnson was elected representative of the association at the Southern Baptist Convention.

The committee on time, place and preacher submitted the following report:

Time: Tuesday and Wednesday after third Sunday in September.
Place: Reeds.
Preacher: C. Herman Trueblood.
Alternate: V. M. Swaim.

The report was adopted.

The committee to name executive committee made the following report:

We respectfully recommend the following as the executive committee for the ensuing year:
G. W. Miller
Paul C. Newton
C. M. Wall
G. F. Hankins
M. L. Kesler
S. E. Warfford.

The report was adopted.

The following report on education was read by E. F. Mumford.

REPORT ON EDUCATION

The Baptist State Convention is undertaking to maintain one college for young men at Wake Forest and two for young women, Meredith and Chowan. These three institutions together enrolled last year 1,036 students, including 81 ministerial students and 21 student volunteers. Their plants and equipment are valued at $991,540.45. The total of their endowments amounts to $1,263,902.26.

Our three high schools are Buie's Creek, Liberty Piedmont

and Boiling Springs. These enrolled last year 1126 students, including 65 ministerial students and 9 volunteer students. We have two Junior colleges, Mars Hill and Wingate. These had an enrollment last year of 654 students and have property valued at $85,000.00. 47 ministerial students and 7 volunteers.

The home mission board maintains in North Carolina 8 high schools which enrolled last session 1,869 students, including 61 ministerial students and 53 student volunteers. The aggregate value of their plants is 442,150.00. Their endowments is $25,500.00.

North Carolina Baptists also take part in the support of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, the Woman's Training school at Louisville, the Southwestern Baptist Seminary at Fort Worth, and the Baptist Bible institute at New Orleans. These institutions enrolled last year 1,501 students, including 162 student volunteers for foreign fields. Their property values aggregate $1,425,345.75; their endowment aggregates $2,905,417.14.

Institutions not under control of the Baptist State Convention are Oxford College, Pineland School for Girls, Mountain Park high school and the Orphanage high school. These institutions enrolled last session 389 students including two student volunteers. Their property not including the Orphanage, is $125,000.00.

While the above figures seem large, and are, they are not larger than the needs of the institutions require; and do not by any means adequately represent the value of the service rendered and to be renderd by them to the Baptist denomination and the kingdom of God. In the support ofthis statement, one has only to remember, first, that the rapidly increasing demand for special training in every worthy human enterprise, of whatever nature, suggests at least an equal need for such training for service in the kingdom of our Lord.

The policy of compulsory education now being pursued in North Carolina means that the next generation of our citizens will be comparatively well educated, and that the general average of intellectual culture will be far above what it is now. And this fact in turn means, of course, that our children and their children will require educated leaders not only in the pulpit, but also in the Sunday school, and in all of our Christian enterprises.

The most subtle and persistent assault on our faith now is the field of the natural and intellectual sciences as taught in our higher institutions of learning. And in those schools these assaults must be met and foiled. Only in our Baptist institutions can we have any voice as to the character of the teachings given to our young people, and it is essential, therefore, that these be

maintained at all hazards.

No little nervousness and considerable alarm have been caused recently by agitation, most of which has been due to lack of information and misapprehension. Our people should know and remember that the trustees in control of their educational institutions are confirmed every year by our associations and our convention; that these trustees are supposed to be chosen from our most intelligent, most devout, and most faithful men and women; that they in turn select teachers for all our schools; that therefore, they ought to know, and do know, better than those on the outside what is taught in our institutions, and the general results of such teachings; that exactly the same sciences are being taught now that were taught thirty-five years ago, and the output from these institutions of young men and women, in their devout and faithful service, ought to reassure these zealous souls who fear that our schools and colleges are being captured by the enemy.

Let our brethren and sisters remember these things and set their hands anew to the task of strengthening their own institutions for the mighty work to which God has called them.

Furthermore, while these Baptist schools in North Carolina are enrolling every year nearly 200 young ministers and about 80 young men and women for work on the foreign fields, there is still a great lack of both ministers and missionaries. Let the members of our churches, therefore, realizing this pressing need, pray constantly bothin their public service and in their private devotion, that the "Lord of the harvest may send forth more laborers for the vineyard."

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. MUMFORD.

The report was discussed by E. F. Mumford and R. T. Vann and was adopted.

The report on Sunday schools was read by G. W. Miller as follows.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

Baptist Sunday school work in North Carolina has shown marvellous growth and development during the past year in number of schools, in membership, in efficiency of organization, in buildings and equipment, and in teacher training. Under the leadership of Secretary E. L. Middleton and his co-workers these things have been stressed as a means to the end that the word of God may be so taught as to lead people to a personal knowledge of Jesus Christ as Saviour from sin, to the acceptance and public profession of Him as Saviour and to grow in grace and

knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

We stand first among the states in the South in the number of Sunday schools to the number of churches, having 2174 Baptist Sunday schools in the state. New Sunday schools are being organized every year but the aim is a Sunday school in every Baptist church in the state. Certainly we should be content with nothing less in our association.

In membership, Liberty association had last year (1922) 3557 enrolled in our Sunday schools, with a church membership of 4067. This leaves a balance of 510. Then there are at least 500 children and other persons in the Sunday school who are not members of the churches, which would indicate that there the at least 1000 church members in this association, who do not attend Sunday school. So it is most probable that if they are not attending Sunday school, that the word is not being hid in their hearts. One of our big tasks is to enlist all of our church members in the Bible school. Another bigger task, is to hold and train these 3557 that are enlisted.

How can these tasks be accomplished? I would answer, by organization. The Standard of Excellence as credited by the Baptist Sunday school boards, Nashville, is being recognized more and more as a measure of efficiency and well-rounded and worthwhile program. There are perhaps, in the association, but two schools that have attained the standard of an A-1 school.

And there must be more improved buildings in order to adequately care for improved Sunday schools, with corresponding improvement in equipment. The architectural department of the Sunday school board stands ready to furnish expert advice so that money invested in buildings may be wisely spent to meet the modern needs.

Then, I would say these tasks cannot be accomplished without teacher training. It is the very heart and life of all Sunday school work. Without trained teachers, inferior work is inevitable. With trained workers, almost any ideal can be accomplished. When churches realize the tremendous responsibility so sacred a task as grafting the living truth of God's will into living souls for time and eternity, they will arouse to the absolute necessity of entrusting that task in the hands of only the trained teachers.

Our association perhaps is very much lacking in this teacher training business. This work is fostered through training schools in town and city churches, through the summer campaigns for those who cannot attend a class. During this year, a splendid book "Building a Country Sunday school" by Secretary E. L. Middleton, has been published, and is receiving much favorable comment. It recognizes difficulties, presents practical plans

for solving them, and gives vision of what a country church, which measures up to its possibilities may be. It should be read by every teacher and superintendent.

The urgency of these tasks calls to each church in the Liberty association to each Sunday school superintendent, to each teacher, and to each individual member, to help solve these problems.

Then may we not as an association adopt a definite program of persistent effort to reach the unreached and the untaught and especially to enlist all church members in the Sunday school.

Respectfully sumbitted,

G. W. MILLER.

The report was discussed by G. W. Miller and C. A. Owens and was adopted.

The following report on home missions was read by W. L. Barrs.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Home Mission board made a great report to the Southern Baptist convention in Kansas City last May. When the Convention met in that city eighteen years ago, the board's receipts for the year were $169,988.92. This year they were $1,002,193.07.

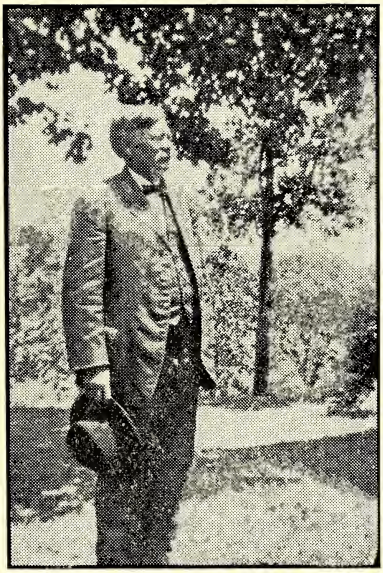
Then the board reported 10,551 baptisms, this year 38,770. Then there were 20,570 additions to the churches, this year 59,597. In 1906 the board had no special department of evangelism. Shortly after that the department was organized and through it there have been 152,846 converts baptized, 208,643 additions to the churches and 23,260 volunteers for the ministry or definite mission work.

All the other departments of the board's work have advanced in a similiar way. Surely we have reason for abundant thanksgiving to God for his marvellous favor upon the work of our home mission board.

It is our one great southwide missionary agency and has been the greatest single factor in helping to make the South a mighty Baptist empire; especially has its power been felt in the newer section of the south, the Mississippi valley and the great southwest.

While Southern Baptists have made mighty progress there are greater needs and vaster opportunities at present than ever before in our history.

There are millions of lost souls whom we must reach and our people must be enlisted in all our denominational life and



IN MEMORIAM

Robert Smith Green was born near Cana, Davie county, January 31, 1858, and died in the High Point hospital, October 27, 1922. He was graduated from Wake Forest college in the class of 1884, and married Nettie Clodfelter March 21, 1888. In that year he settled in the county of Davidson where he spent the remainder of his life. Brother Green was a man of rugged character, unusual mental strength, strict integrity and sincere piety.

Under a brusque exterior was a kindly and tender heart. He was a man of deep and powerful convictions of truth and duty to which he held with tenacious force, and he had the courage under any and all circumstances to maintain them.

He was a devoted husband and father, a wise, useful, progressive citizen, and an upright and honorable man of business.

He was passionately attached to his church, filling the office of deacon wisely and well. His balanced judgment, high intelligence and deep devotion to his church made him an invaluable counsellor and a greatly useful and influential member.

He was for five years the moderator of the Liberty association and was intensely interested in all the churches of the body.

As a testimony of tender regard for his life and character this page of the minutes is dedicated to his memory.

activities.

Our home mission board is heavily in debt on account of the great enlargement of the work and the falling off in receipts due largely to the deflation in prices in general.

The last report of the board states, that if we raise $75,000,000 by the close of the 75 Million campaign and the home board receives its due proportion, the board's debt can be paid and the board's work increased fifty per cent over its present operations.

Let us come to the help of this great work and all our other interests as well.

Write to the home mission board, 1004 Healey Building, Atlanta, Georgia, and secure free its fine assortment of excellent tracts, and buy their splendid new home mission books.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. BARRS.

After discussion by W. L. Barrs the report was adopted.

The following resolution was submitted and adopted.

"Resolved that this association express our love and respect for our deceased moderator R. S. Green, by placing his picture in the minutes of this meeting and devoting one or more pages of the minutes to a historical sketch of his life and deeds."

Motion was made and carried that the proceedings of the Woman's Missionary Union be printed in the minutes of this association.

On motion it was decided to have the sermon of the association at 11 o'clock on Tuesday instead of in the evening as heretofore.

The following resolution was offered by C. H. Trueblood:

"Resolved: that the Liberty association expresses its sincere thanks for the bountiful hospitality extended to the association by the Abbotts Creek Baptist church during this session of the association."

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The finance committee reported $49.30 for printing minutes and for clerk and $7.30 for missions.

After singing "Blest be the tie that binds" and denediction the association adjourned.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON, Moderator.
PAUL C. NEWTON, Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS

of the Seventeenth Annual Session of the Woman's Missionary Union

The seventeenth annual session of the Woman's Missionary Union was held in the Lexington church on August 16, 1923.

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 A. M. by the associational superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Green. Devotional exercises were conducted by the superintendent, who read several passages of scripture, each bearing on a certain phase of the work in our societies.

In the absence of the secretary, Miss Virginia Webster, of Lexington, was asked to take the record of the meeting.

The roll call of societies showed that eleven Woman's Missionary Societies, four Girls' Auxiliaries, eight Sunbeam bands and one Royal Ambassador band were represented. One new W.M.S. and one new Sunbeam were enrolled.

The congregation engaged in silent prayer while the members of the Lexington society softly sang, "Where he leads me I will follow."

Mrs. Winona Swaim of the local society gave the address of welcome to which Mrs. W. H. Johnson of the Holloways society responded.

The superintendent chose as the subject of her annual address "Individual Responsibility", and very strongly impressed the fact that each member of the association has a distinct duty to perform for God and for the extension of his kingdom.

Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, personal service superintendent, gave a report of her work, and also a helpful talk on "What the Personal Service Work means to our Society and church."

Mrs. A. F. Warfford read a paper on Christian Education, and Miss Eunice Ward read a paper on the Training School, telling of its beginning and advancement.

After a song, "Stand up for Jesus," Miss Cora Caudle, a North Carolina girl, who is doing mission work in Africa, was introduced and gave an account of the work in her field.

The following committees were appointed:

Nominating committee: Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Mrs. W. H. Elliott, Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Mrs. J. B. Motsinger.

Committee on resolutions: Mrs. M. L. Kesler, Mrs. Alda Craver, Mrs. C. C. Pritchard.

Committee on obituaries: Miss Tela Beanblossom, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, Mrs. Mary Davis.

Committee on time and place: Miss Roxie Sheets, Mrs. J. K.

Hankins, Mrs. Bettie Robbins, Mrs. F. B. Hamrick.

After announcements for the afternoon session the meeting adjourned for dinner.

Afternoon Session

The meeting was opened by singing the hymn, "I am Thine, O Lord," after which the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. M. L. Kesler.

A song by the Sunbeams of Lexington and a literature demonstration by the Lexington G.A's. were both entertaining and suggestive. Mrs. A. L. Curry gave a helpful talk to the young people.

It was a great pleasure to have Miss Elizabeth Briggs, the State Junior Superintendent present and to have her speak on her line of work. Miss Briggs brought with her a number of dolls from the different countries where we have mission work which added much to the interest of her visit.

After a solo by Miss Alice Virginia Trice, Miss Elizabeth Smith discussed the subject: "What the orphanage has meant to the association." Mrs. J. W. Tuttle gave an account of the Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem.

During the past year three societies have furnished rooms in the Baptist Hospital at Winston: Lexington, Orphanage and Thomasville. The Thomasville society has also contributed $125.00 to place a bed in a double room. In addition to these the association has furnished a sun parlor and a waiting room, and the young people have given $61.72 to furnish a room in honor of Miss Briggs.

The superintendent appealed to the societies to strive harder than ever to reach the Standard of Excellence.

The nominating committee suggested the following officers who were elected:

Superintendent: Mrs. R. S. Green.

Associate Superintendent: Mrs. Winona Swaim.

Secretary: Miss Sallie L. McCracken.

Junior Superintendent: Mrs. Luther Curry.

Mis. Study Superintendent: Mrs. Harvey Hedrick.

Personal Service Superintendent: Mrs. C. C. Pritchard.

Mrs. W. H. Johnson and Mrs. J. W. Tuttle were added to the Executive committee, the present members being Miss Sallie L. McCracken, Mrs. D. F. Conrad and Mrs. Bettie Robbins.

Committee on resolutions reported as follows:

We, the ladies of the Woman's Missionary Union, desire to express our sincere appreciation for the kindness and unbounded hospitality of the ladies of the Lexington Baptist church. Report adopted.

Committee on time and place selected Stoners Grove for the 1924 meeting to be held on the third Thursday in August.

The report was adopted.

Obituary committee reported that no deaths had occurred in the association during the past year.

After a song, "Blest be the tie that binds" the meeting was dismissed with prayer by Miss Cora Caudle.

Treasurer's Report for year August 1922 to August 1923

Balance on hand 1922	$4.90
Collected from societies	12.80
	17.70

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid for printing minutes	12.00
Paid for postage	1.20
Paid for printing programs	1.75
	14.95
Balance on hand	2.75

MRS. R. S. GREEN, Treas.

Report of Superintendent on expenses to meetings

Paid in by societies	11.90
Cost of trip to Durham	4.17
Cost of trip to Albemarle	4.16
	8.33
Balance on hand	3.57

LIST OF DELEGATES

Woman's Missionary Union

Abbotts Creek—By report.

Churchland—Mrs. R. K. Williams, Mrs. J. N. Penniger, Mrs. W. A. Beeker.

Denton—Mrs. A. L. Snider, Miss Eunice Ward, Mrs. Martha Russell, Mrs. Mary Davis.

Holloways—Miss Alva Cook, and Misses Tela and Ola Beanblossom.

Jersey—Mrs. R. L. Palmer and Misses Elizabeth Smith and Sadie Sharpe.

Lexington—Mrs. B. F. Lee, Mrs. G. W. Miller, Mrs. A. L. Pickard.

Orphanage—Mrs. M. L. Kesler and Mrs. F. B. Hamrick.

Reeds—Mrs. Clyde Snider, Mrs. W. L. Barrs and Mrs. Roam Hill.

Stoner's Grove—Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Mrs. O. L. Wrenn, Mrs. S. E. Warfford, Mrs. C. C. Wrenn.

Thomasville—Mrs. Bettie Robbins, Mrs. W. H. Elliott, Mrs. John Daniel.

Wallburg—Miss Clara Wall, Mrs. J. B. Motsinger, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle.

Sunbeams

Holloways—Grace Palmer, Lola Palmer, Vera Styres.

Lexington—Valinda Reniger, Valera Smith, Louise Kirkman.

Orphanage-Durham—By report.

Orphanage-Mitchell—By report.

Orphanage-Whitty—By report.

Stoners Grove—By report.

Thomasville—Mary Everhart, Charles and Julius Howell, Nell Boles.

Wallburg—Margaret McGee, Louise Mumford, Marler Tuttle.

Royal Ambassadors

Lexington—Robert Wall, William Lancaster.

Girls' Auxiliary

Lexington—Louise Leonard, Blanche Beck.

Orphanage-Aydlett—By report.

Thomasville—Vivian Lee Teague, Ruth Everhart, Eva Culp, Elizabeth Teague.

Wallburg—Mamie Green, Lena Tuttle, Howard Mumford.

SEVENTY-FIVEMILLION APPORTIONMENTS

Abbotts Creek	$600	a year	or	$3000.00
Center Hill	400	a year	or	2000.00
Churchland	600	a year	or	3000.00
Denton	600	a year	or	3000.00
Erlanger	600	a year	or	3000.00
Gravel Hill	200	a year	or	1000.00
Holloways	400	a year	or	2000.00
Huldah	100	a year	or	500.00
Jersey	600	a year	or	3000.00
Lexington	2000	a year	or	10000.00
Liberty	400	a year	or	2000.00
Lick Creek	600	a year	or	3000.00
New Friendship	200	a year	or	1000.00
Oak Hill	100	a year	or	500.00
Orphanage	1100	a year	or	5500.00
Reeds	400	a year	or	2000.00
Rich Fork	200	a year	or	1000.00
Smith Grove	200	a year	or	1000.00
Southside				
Westfield				
Stoners Grove	800	a year	or	4000.00
Summerville	200	a year	or	1000.00
Taylors Grove	100	a year	or	500.00
Thomasville	1200	a year	or	6000.00
Wallburg	800	a year	or	4000.00
Walters Grove	100	a year	or	500.00
Welcome	200	a year	or	1000.00

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	SUPT. AND POST OFFICE	No. of Schools	Officers and Teachers	Pupils	Total Enrollment	Baptisms from School	School Expenses	Missions Orphanage, etc.	Total Contributions
Abbotts Creek	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	1	7	100	107	1	20.50	94.29	114.79
Churchland	W. H. Lomax, Linwood	1	18	130	148	12	123.48	175.25	298.73
Center Hill	J. F. Jarrett, Linwood	1	6	80	86	11	22.53	52.01	74.54
Denton	S. E. Smith, Denton	1	11	140	151	11	186.99	159.87	346.86
Erlanger									
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, Rileys Store	1	7	60	67				
Holloways	G. C. Palmer, High Rock	1	9	153	162	6	26.00	62.30	88.30
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	1	8	99	107				
Liberty	N. T. Kindley, Cid	1	8	116	124	9	43.53		43.53
Lexington First	Dr. C. R. Sharpe, Lexington	1	25	453	478	30	360.00	277.56	637.56
Lick Creek	V. K. Skeen, High Rock	1	6	75	81		14.00		14.00
New Friendship	E. L. Snyder, Winston-Salem	1	7	159	166	7	210.57	79.70	290.27
Oak Grove	Ben Johnson, Winston-Salem	1		39	39				
Oak Hill	E. Searles, Thomasville	1	5	40	45		15.00		
Orphanage	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	1	43	472	515		92.64	727.10	819.74
Reeds	C. H. Fritts, Lexington	1	15	246	261	8			
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	1	9	156	165		30.00	10.00	40.00
Southside	J. A. Simpson, Thomasville	1	7	118	125	16	164.64	28.09	192.73
S ıith Grove	R. H. Beck, Linwood	1	7	84	91		19.36	5.40	24.76
Stoners Grove	S. E. Warfford, Linwood	1	11	141	152		119.16	138.79	257.95
St nmerville	S. I. Snider, High Rock	1	6	57	63		43.08		43.08
Taylors Grove	R. L. West, Chandler	1	5	80	85		8.75		8.75
Thomasville First	Paul Newton, Thomasville	1	16	419	435	2	588.64	569.45	1157.49
Wallburg	E. O. Wall, Wallburg	1		130	130	4	143.89	98.87	242.76
Walters Grove	Avery Woodle, Cid	1	6	62	68	8			
Welcome	M. L. Craver, Welcome	1	8	100	108				
Westfield	G. W. Summey, Tullers	1	8	67	75				
		26	258	3607	4034	125	2232.16	2478.68	4710.84

STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL REPORT OF CHURCHES IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

CHURCH	PASTOR AND POST OFFICE	CLERK AND POST OFFICE	Time of Preaching	Value of Property	Church Membership	Pastor's Salary	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. Expenses	The Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	75 Million Fund	State and Asso. Min	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Orphanage	Hospital	Education	Ministerial Relief	TOTAL
Abbotts Creek	E. F. Mumford, Wallburg	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	3d	2000.00	181	200.00	211.00	100.00	.....	32.00	3.50	.....	.....	89.40	20.00	15.00	294.20	.....	.....	5.00	970.10
Center Hill	W. L. Barrs, Lexington	C. A. Owen, Lexington	1st	2000.00	140	250.00	.....	.....	42.00	22.53	.....	3.00	.....	83.00	7.30	3.60	15.65	71.06	.....	.....	.....	498.14
Churchland		W. H. Lomax, Linwood	1st,3d	10000.00	249	350.00	150.00	25.00	123.48	.....	5.00	199.25	117.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.43	970.23
Denton	W. A. Hough, Denton	A. L. Snider, Denton	2d,4th	7800.00	216	500.00	112.00	36.23	186.99	.....	3.00	261.91	151.00	93.20	.....	.....	37.05	.....	.....	.....	1483.89
Erlanger	J. A. Combs, Erlanger	J. L. Hembree, Erlanger	Every	.....	158	600.00	96.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	61.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	801.85
Gravel Hill	W. A. Hough, Denton	E. M. Russell, Rileys Store	2d	600.00	43	140.00	.....	.....	16.00	.....	.....	25.00	46.41	10.00	8.16	12.00	16.25	.....	.....	.....	273.82
Holloways	H. T. Fenry, Southmont	G. C. Palmer, High Rock	2d	2000.00	213	250.00	.....	5.00	30.25	6.31	.....	.....	201.56	.....	.....	.....	82.35	.....	.....	.....	580.47
Lick Creek	W. A. Hough, Denton	P. M. Snidre, High Rock	1st	3000.00	100	175.00	.....	40.00	14.00	.....	2.10	.....	.....	30.00	15.00	30.00	20.00	10.00	15.00	10.00	361.10
Liberty	W. A. Hough, Denton	H. P. May, Cid	3d	7190.55	158	250.00	1190.55	4.00	43.53	.....	3.00	.....	109.88	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	81.36	1682.32
New Friendship	V. M. Swaim, Winston-Salem	A. J. Hartman, Winston-Salem	1st	5000.00	141	200.00	.....	25.00	210.57	7.00	2.00	50.00	.....	25.00	20.00	20.00	109.70	.....	5.00	5.00	679.27
Jersey	H. T. Penry, Southmont	Lindsay Smith, Linwood	2d,4th	8000.00	58	312.00	17.50	.....	36.05	7.00	.....	96.00	304.13	.....	.....	.....	25.97	.....	.....	.....	798.65
Lexington First	C. A. Owens, Lexington	Ed. F. Smith, Lexington	Every	75000.00	502	3000.00	4125.06	1133.45	360.00	35.00	.....	1819.02	279.68	200.00	200.00	300.00	1264.54	.....	215.14	100.00	15031.89
Oak Grove	B. R. Crowder, Winston-Salem	Ash Johnson, Kernersville	3d	1500.00	36	64.44	.....	6.00	.....	.....	.....	34.31	.....	.....	.....	.....	34.37	.....	.....	.....	139.12
Oak Hill		M. F. Underwood, Trinity		1000.00	40	.....	.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00
Orphanage	J. S. Hardaway, Thomasville	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	2d,4th	5000.00	388	1093.90	.....	.....	92.64	.....	10.00	58.40	27.00	235.10	285.44	287.85	530.22	321.41	409.16	77.74	3951.46
Reeds	W. L. Barrs, Lexington	Arlie Myers, Lexington	2d,4th	5000.00	248	600.00	62.30	28.00	150.13	25.15	4.00	58.00	.....	20.00	20.10	20.00	80.58	.....	.....	.....	1628.86
Rich Fork	W. L. Barrs, Lexington	T. H. Small, Thomasville	3d	2500.00	150	300.00	.....	25.00	30.00	.....	4.00	.....	160.00	.....	.....	.....	45.00	5.00	.....	.....	569.00
Smith Grove	J. A. Combs, Lexington	L. F. Yarbrough, Salisbury	4th	2000.00	110	100.00	.....	.....	19.36	31.40	3.50	.....	5.00	2.00	3.00	2.00	16.65	3.50	3.00	3.73	297.34
Southside	C. E. Crissman, High Point	J. A. Simpson, Thomasville	1st,3d	1200.00	68	250.00	45.00	90.00	154.82	.....	2.00	12.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	38.09	.....	.....	5.25	624.86
Stoners Grove	H. T. Penry, Southmont	Walter Warrford, Southmont	1st,3d	4000.00	150	535.00	.....	142.38	61.34	.....	4.25	348.27	18.10	39.75	49.96	12.00	183.04	9.00	16.09	.....	1419.18
Summerville	D. P. Morris, Norwood	M. L. Bean, High Rock	1st	4000.00	226	188.60	23.34	2.75	.....	31.86	2.55	52.00	42.25	.....	.....	.....	4.07	.....	.....	.....	347.42
Taylors Grove	D. P. Morris, Norwood	D. M. Summey, Lexington	1st,3d	1500.00	18	100.00	48.17	7.77	8.75	.....	.....	13.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	187.69
Thomasville First	C. H. Trueblood, Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	Every	30000.00	293	1292.50	149.49	409.80	618.04	50.00	8.00	377.68	257.28	74.47	.....	.....	639.64	.....	.....	.....	4876.88
Wallburg	G. F. Mumford, Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	2d,4th	10000.00	156	500.00	.....	1500.00	209.39	50.00	5.00	97.	344.67	20.50	29.60	17.00	138.87	34.65	8.56	.....	1470.24
Walters Grove	W. A. Hough, Denton	J. T. Pierce, Cid	4th	500.00	60	75.00	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	19.41	24.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	123.41
Welcome	W. L. Barrs, Lexington	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	2d,4th	5000.00	60	200.00	145.00	6.00	20.00	.....	.....	223.80	71.79	.....	.....	.....	50.00	10.00	.....	.....	726.59
Westfield	H. A. Powell, Cid	R. A. Summey, Fullers	1st	2750.00	63	100.00	200.00	25.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	325.00

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES, SUNBEAMS, GIRLS' AUXILIARIES AND ROYAL AMBASSADORS—STATISTICAL TABLE

W.M.S.	PRESIDENT	SECRETARY	No. Members	Foreign Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Loan Fund	Orphanage	Education	Training School	Old Ministers	Hospital	75 Million Campaign	Total to 75 Million Campaign	Furnishing Hospitals	Other Objects	Etate Expenses	Associational Expenses	TOTAL
Abbotts Creek																			
Churchland	Mrs. L. E. Rickard	Mrs. O. T. Davis		32.00			3.00	63.00		1.50			24.00	123.50	40.86				164.36
Denton	Mrs. T. L. Snider	Mrs. Mary E. Davis		5.00	12.00	6.55	2.00	53.00		2.00				80.55	4.50	155.70	1.00		241.75
Holloways	Mrs. B. R. Cross	Mrs. T. G. Briggs	20				5.00	7.75					95.10	107.85	10.00	29.10	1.00	1.00	148.95
Jersey	Mrs. R. L. Palmer	Mrs. W. L. Roach	34					2.00					91.50	93.50	6.00	5.00	.80	.80	106.10
Lexington	Mrs. W. L. Lancaster	Mrs. E. G. Hunt	24	13.00		16.55	10.00	16.38		10.20				66.13	16.55	175.00	.70	1.00	259.38
Orphanage	Miss Beatrice Council	Miss S. L. McCracken		82.10	125.00	112.94	30.00	332.70		10.00				693.74	200.00	938.50	5.00	4.00	1841.24
Reeds	Mrs. Alda Craver	Mrs. E. G. Fritts		205.77	104.66	154.65	25.00	295.34	117.45	107.55	22.00	58.75	17.00	1108.17	201.00	104.40	4.00	3.40	1420.97
Stoner's Grove	Mrs. A. F. Warfford	Mrs. S. E. Warfford	20				3.00	25.20					16.75	44.95	3.00	57.00	2.00	1.00	107.95
Thomasville	Mrs. R. S. Green	Mrs. Monroe Bean	18	2.50	18.05	15.64	2.00	44.46	3.70	2.80			4.60	93.75	9.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	105.75
Wallburg	Miss Lula Motsinger	Miss Clara Wall	43	46.40	66.45	60.95	32.00	270.00		15.13			399.56	890.49	351.50		3.80	1.25	1247.04
			17	17.00	18.50	28.55	5.00	40.00		13.00				122.05	34.59	46.05		2.00	204.69
				403.77	344.66	395.83	117.00	1150.83	121.15	162.18	22.00	58.75	648.51	3424.68	877.00	1511.75	19.30	15.45	5848.18
R. A.	LEADER	PRESIDENT																	
Lexington	Mrs. D. F. Conrad	William Lancaster	12			2.00		28.00						30.00					30.00
SUNBEAM	LEADER	PRESIDENT									Bible Fund	Margaret Fund							
Holloways	Mrs. W. H. Johnson	Dorothy McCarn	26					1.13					4.11	5.24		2.50			7.74
Lexington	Mrs. L. S. Hutchins	Valinda Reniger	35	3.77				18.25	3.28	2.50		2.00	3.80	33.10		1.30	3.30		37.70
Orphanage-Durham	Miss Kate Warwick	Jack Taylor		6.31	7.75	4.50	5.00	1.22	4.15	2.50	1.05			31.26	5.90				37.16
Orphanage-Mitchell	Mrs. Maggie Scarborough	Ruth Anderson		.60	7.23	5.10	10.83							24.38	10.00				34.38
Orphanage-Whitty	Mrs. Estelle Cocke	Maggie Bailes		.75	1.00	.75								2.35					2.35
Stoner's Grove	Miss Myrtle Davis	Texie Warfford	30		2.05	1.70		7.54	.35	.20			.70	13.29					13.29
Thomasville	Mrs. C. F. Lambeth	Julius Howell	35	1.00						1.05			33.22	33.22	4.00		2.00		39.22
Wallburg	Mrs. J. W. Tuttle	Margaret McGee	20										1.30	3.35	1.05				4.40
				12.43	18.03	12.05	15.83	28.14	7.78	5.75	1.05	2.00	43.13	146.19	20.95	3.80	5.30		176.74
G. A.	LEADER	PRESIDENT																	
Lexington	Mrs. D. F. Conrad	Florence Swaim	20	5.00	5.25	10.00	100	27.00		2.00				50.25	5.00		.80		56.05
Orphanage	Mrs. S. L. Osborne	Rosella Calcutt			2.60	1.06		2.25	1.13					7.04	2.41				9.45
Thomasville	Mrs. C. M. Howell	Elizabeth Teague	14	2.10	7.17	6.46				2.55				18.28					18.28
Wallburg	Mrs. J. W. Tuttle	Howard Mumford	8							1.11			9.50	10.61	2.50		.60		13.71
				7.10	15.02	17.52	100	29.25	1.13	5.66			9.50	86.18	9.91		1.40		97.49

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PLACE, TIME AND PREACHER FOR NEXT SESSION

Place—Liberty
Time—Tuesday after the third Sunday in September
Preacher—C. A. Owens

LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

John S. Nichols	Lexington, N. C.
E. H. Mullis	Thomasville, N. C.
Ronald Wall	Southmont, N. C.
R. L. West	Rileys Store, N. C.
Lee Fox	Wallburg, N. C.
C. A. Owens, D. D.	Lexington, N. C.
J. M. Hilliard	High Point, N. C.
M. L. Kesler, D. D.	Thomasville, N. C.
V. M. Swaim	Winston-Salem, N. C.
D. P. Morris	Norwood, N. C.
W. A. Hough	Denton, N. C.
H. T. Penry	Southmont, N. C.
G. L. Merrell	Thomasville, N. C.
J. D. Newton	Thomasville, N. C.
J. A. Combs	Erlanger, N. C.
W. L. Barrs	Rt. 3, Lexington, N. C.
E. F. Mumford	Wallburg, N. C.
C. H. Trueblood	Thomasville, N. C.
E. W. Byerly	Thomasville, N. C.
W. A. Sowers	Wallburg, N. C.
H. A. Powell	Cid, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

G. W. Miller	S. E. Warfford
A. L. Snider	D. F. Conrad
M. L. Kesler	D. S. Hayworth

MINUTE FUND APPORTIONMENT

Abbotts Creek	$5.00
Center Hill	3.00
Churchland	5.00
Denton	5.00
Erlanger	3.00
Gravel Hill	1.00
Holloways	4.00
Jersey	5.00
Lexington	20.00
Liberty	2.00
Lick Creek	3.00
New Friendship	3.00
Oak Hill	1.00
Orphanage	10.00
Reeds	5.00
Rich Fork	4.00
Smith Grove	4.00
Southside	2.00
Westfield	2.00
Stoners Grove	5.00
Summerville	2.50
Taylor's Grove	1.00
Thomasville	10.00
Wallburg	5.00
Walter's Grove	1.00
Welcome	2.00

MINUTES

Reeds Church, Sept. 23, 1924

The 91st session of the Liberty Baptist Association convened with the church at Reeds on Tuesday, September 23, 1924. Devotional services were conducted by Walter M. Gilmore of the State Mission Board. Moderator Archibald Johnson called the body to order and the following messengers enrolled:

Abbotts Creek—C. H. Teague, Harvey Teague, N. R. Teague, Mrs. N. R. Teague, Miss Velna Teague, D. S. Hayworth, Mrs. D. S. Hayworth, Miss Lou Hayworth, Mrs. Bettie Romwell, W. D. Spurgeon.

Center Hill—E. D. Jarrett, H. L. Miller, A. V. Miller, J. F. Smith, Mrs. Boone Davis, Miss Annie Owen, Boone Davis, A. J. Owen, W. J. Beck.

Churchland—S. R. Simerson.

Denton—L. V. Miller, C. H. Davis, W. T. Harris, Mrs. W. T. Harris, Miss Lillie Henderson.

Tabernacle (Erlanger)—J. L. Hembree, W. O. Nanney, G. C. Guin, Mrs. G. C. Guin, J. W. Dagenhart, Lee Guin, R. L. Corbin.

Holloways—B. R. Cross, Mrs. B. R. Cross, W. D. Seaford, C. V. Peele, Grover Palmer.

Jersey—Philip Foster, Mrs. R. L. Palmer, R. L. Palmer, Mrs. Ira Sharpe.

Lexington—H. C. Myers, Mrs. S. D. Swaim, Sam J. Smith, Mrs. J. K. Hankins, G. F. Hankins, Miss Roxie Sheets, G. W. Miller, C M. Wall, D. F. Conrad, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, C. L. Lopp, Mrs. S. E. Miller, Mrs. A. L. Curry, Mrs. C. W. Trice, Mrs. B. F. Lee, H. E. Olive, Mrs. C. V. Call.

Liberty—Mrs. Lacy E. Hepler, Mrs. N. T. Kindley, Mrs. Zula Clodfelter, Mrs. O. F. Hughes.

Lick Creek—W. H. Rush, A. M. Cole, V. K. Skeen.

New Friendship—E. L. Snider, Erastus Swaim, G. A. Hartman.

Oak Hill—Carrie Royal, Leona Welborn, Clarice Welborn, Theresa Welborn.

Orphanage—G. L. Merrell, F. B. Hamrick, C. F. Gaddy, Mrs. G. L. Merrell, Mrs. C. A. Hawkins, Mrs. Estelle Cocke, Mrs. M. E. Baker, James Honeycutt.

Reeds—J. C. Leonard, J. H. Faramee, J. F. Foster, I. A. Myers.

Rich Fork—G. T. Everhart, Mrs. G. T. Everhart, Mrs. Fred Eddinger, L. J. Shuler, David Clinard, T. H. Small.

Southside—N. C. Clodfelter, E. W. Byerly, Mrs. E. W. Byerly, Lena Clodfelter.

Smith Grove—Lindsey Yarbro, Henry Smith, Emanuel Koonts.

Stoners Grove—Walter Warfford, Cicero Lomax, Mrs. Cicero Lomax, S. E. Warfford.

Summerville—Robbins Bean, E. I. Snider, M. L. Bean, J. L. Carrick, L. R. Rogers.

Taylors Grove—A. H. Michael, Mrs. Daniel Summey.

Gravel Hill—Oscar Tucker, E. J. Elliott.

Thomasville—Mrs. Bettie Robbins, Mrs. R. S. Green, Mrs. John Daniel, Mrs. Archibald Johnson, Miss Lois Johnson, Miss Vivien Lee Teague, Miss Elizabeth Teague, Z. V. Crutchfield, Archibald Johnson, L. E. Teague, Woodrow Teague, Prevette Westmoreland, Rev. J. D. Newton.

Wallburg—G. W. Wall, E. Lee Fox, Mrs. E. Lee Fox, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, E. E. Jenkins.

Walters Grove—Walter Hughes, J. T. Pierce, Gurney Pierce.

Welcome—E. J. Zimmerman, Grady Fritts, W. S. Disher, Mrs. Childress, M. L. Craver, W. H. Snider, E. S. Craver.

Westfield—G. B. Loftin, Mrs. C. T. Hughes, R. A. Summey.

The association then elected officers by acclamation as follows: Archibald Johnson, moderator; F. B. Hamrick, vice-moderator; Sam J. Smith, clerk and treasurer.

Under miscellaneous business the following committees were appointed:

On program: F. B. Hamrick, T. H. Small, G. L. Merrell.

On finance: G. W. Miller, Z. V. Crutchfield, Noah Teague.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body: Rev. J. M. Hilliard, of the Piedmont Association; Walter M. Gillmore, of the State Mission Board; W. R. Beach, of Hillsboro, N. C., representing the Biblical Recorder; Rev. John R. Miller, of the Stanly Association.

Jno. S. Nichols, of Tabernacle church, Erlanger, was recnogized as a new pastor in the association.

BIBLICAL RECORDER

W. R. Beach in a very convincing manner urged all Baptists to become subscribers to their denominational paper if they were not already such. In his opinion a Methodist is not a good Methodist if he does not read the paper of his denomination and the same applies to all Baptists and other denominations.

The following report on Biblical Recorder was read by E. F. Mumford.

REPORT ON THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Biblical Recorder, the organ of the Baptist State Convention, is in its ninetieth year, being founded in 1833 by Thomas Meredith. A corporation composed of 87 loyal Baptists not only owns the paper but owns the building in which the Baptist denominational work has its headquarters. It was the revenue from

this building that saved the stockholders in 1923 from a debt of $5300, and enabled the paper to pay a dividend of six per cent, which is the usual dividend paid.

The present circulation is 22,200. This is not what it should be, when we consider the number of Baptists in the state. The circulation should be at least 30,000. Then more people would be reached and the paper could better serve the denomination. Hence the importance of increasing the circulation.

The price is $2.00 per year. However, in some cases, individuals are allowed to give it to unfortunate persons for $1.50 per year.

The stockholders do not print the paper as a money making proposition and are only able to receive the 6 per cent dividend because of the revenue from the building owned by them. Three years ago the paper passed the point where it, in itself, was a paying proposition. In fact we are told now that it does not pay expenses. The cost of printing is double what it was before the war. Paper costs much more and labor is much higher. Yet there is no complaint from the stockholders as they seem glad to serve the Baptists of North Carolina.

Respectfully submitted,
E. F. MUMFORD.

The report was discussed by W. R. Beach, Walter M. Gilmore, E. F. Mumford, W. L. Barrs, and was adopted.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator:

On place and preacher for next session: J. D. Newton, H. E. Olive and C. H. Teague.

To nominate executive committee: E. F. Mumford, D. F. Conrad and L. E. Teague.

ANNUAL SERMON

The annual sermon was preached by C. Herman Trueblood, of the First church, Thomasville, from Hebrwes 12:2; the subject of the sermon being "The Cross and the Throne."

Upon motion of G. W. Miller, it was ordered by the association that a copy of said sermon be furnished the Biblical Recorder for publication therein.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Prayer by Rev. Lee Fox, of Wallburg, N. C.

The committee on program appointed by the moderator at the morning session recommended the following order of business for the remaining sessions of the association, which was adopted.

Tuesday, September 23, afternoon:

1:30 State Missions.
2:30 1925 Campaign.
3:15 Ministerial Relief.
3:45 Baptist Hospital.
4:30 Miscellaneous Business.

Evening:

Wednesday morning, September 24:

7:30 Orphanage and Christian Education.
9:30 Devotional—E. W. Byerly.
10:00 Foreign Missions.
11:00 State of the Churches.
12:00 Woman's Work.
12:30 Miscellaneous business.

Afternoon:

2:15 B. Y. P. U.
2:45 Home Missions.
3:30 Sunday Schools.
4:15 Miscellaneous business.

Under miscellaneous business the committee on time, place and preacher submitted the following report:

Time: Tuesday and Wednesday after third Sunday in September; Place: Liberty; Preacher: C. A. Owens; Alternate, W. A. Hough.

The report was adopted.

The committee to name executive committee made the following report:

We respectfully recommend the following as the executive committee for the ensuing year: M. L. Kesler, A. L. Snider, G. W. Miller, D. F. Conrad, S. E. Warfford, D. S. Hayworth..

The report was adopted.

Upon her request Mrs A. L. Curry was given a few minutes to present to the association a subject, which she said had been very much on her mind and heart for many hears; and therein made inquiry of the association as to why women should not be ordained to preach when they felt the call.

STATE MISSIONS AND 1925 CAMPAIGN

The report on State Missions not being ready, by consent of the association it was ordered by the moderator to be filed later and published in the minutes in regular order.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

Last year the State Mission Board employed 188 missionaries and served 330 churches. These missionaries organized 88 churches, built 12 church houses and repaired 97. There were 4,127 conversions, 3044 baptisms and 2574 were received by letter. The total cost of all this great work was $58,696.52.

The enlistment of country church work was under the direction of Rev. A. C. Hamby and he was assisted in this work by Rev. A. I. Justice, Rev. R. L. Randolph, Rev. L. M. Holloway and Rev. C. W. Blanchard A great year's work was done in this department of our state mission work The circulation of our denominational papers was largely increased, and the interest of the churches in all the work of the convention was quickened.

As the industrial life of the state expands, the vital importance of the work of state missions increases. Good roads and rapid transportation are changing the religious conditions. The congested life of our manufacturing communities is a loud call for larger outlay by our State Mission Board. Each of these growing communities must be ably manned. New churches must be organized and erected. To our State Mission Board we must look to meet the multiplied needs of the new day, and the constantly enlarging opportunities to advance our Baptist influence and power in North Carolina. Dr. Charles E. Maddry, with ever watchful eyes, is looking over the widening field and trying with all his great energy and wisdom to supply the most urgent needs; but he should have larger resources at his command to do the larger work that appeals to his heart and taxes his nervous energy to the limit. A large debt hangs over the Board which must be discharged, and greater resources must be provided if we are to measure up to our duty and our matchless opportunity.

C. HERMAN TRUEBLOOD.

The 1925 campaign and state missions were discussed by Walter M. Gillmore of the State Mission Board, C. Herman Trueblood and W. L. Barrs. Upon expiration of time allotted for these two subjects a motion was made by F. B. Hamrick that 15 minutes additional time be allowed, which was adopted. Further discussions followed by E. F. Mumford, W. A. Hough, H. A. Powell, W. L. Barrs and Jno. S. Nichols.

Motion was made and adopted that the moderator appoint a committee to apportion the $13,000 to be paid by the Liberty Association in the 1925 campaign among the different churches of the association.

The following committee was appointed: W. L. Barrs, W. A. Hough, H. T. Penry, Jno. S. Nichols, H. A. Powell, F. B. Hamrick and G. W. Miller.

Dr. R. T. Vann was recognized as a visitor by the association.

The following report on ministerial relief, written by M. L. Kesler, was read by the clerk:

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

About five years ago the work of our Ministers' Relief Board was taken over by the general board known as the Relief and Annuity Board located at Dallas, Texas, with Dr. William Lunsford as secretary. The relief work of the different state conventions, has been merged into this board, thereby greatly enlarging and strengthening the work.

There are now about one hundred beeficiaries of this board in North Carolina, and more than one thousand in the Southern Baptist Convention.

In addition to the relief given, the board has developed an Annuity Department by which the pastor can, by paying regular

fees, secure a certificate of membership. No life insurance policy will give such results. A certificate of membership in the annuity fund will take care of disability and guarantee a definite income after 68, and in addition make provision for the dependent ones. The guarantee after June 1, 1924, will be the maximum of $500. This department has grown until there are now more than 1300 men and women holding certificates. The ages of eligibility is 63 but after January 1, 1925, it will be 58. We urge pastors who have not passed this age to consider whether it would not be wise for them to become members of the Annuity Fund. Full information can be secured from Dr. Wm. Lunsford, Dallas, Texas.

The goal of this board is to raise an endowment of five million dollars. The Presbyterians have an endowment for this purpose of over eleven millions and Southern Methodists have raised over ten millions. These figures are a little embarrassing to Southern Baptists.

While the insurance feature is important and many preachers ought to take advantage of it, yet the great purpose of the board is to give relief to those who have given their lives to the ministry and are left toward the close without means of a comfortable living. Our great denomination would say to the pastor in active service: "Give yourself whole-heartedly to the work; spend yourself freely; be not afraid; we do not pay you the salarlies we should, but this we do at least solemnly promise, that we will stand back of you; if you fall in the work, we will care for you; if you die, we will not permit your family to suffer; if you grow old in it, we will comfort your declining years." Surely we can say no less to them.

M. L. KESLER.

The report was discussed by John R. Miller, Walter M. Gillmore, J. M. Hilliard, R. T. Vann, and was adopted.

The following report on the Baptist hospital, written by C. M. Wall, was read by the clerk:

THE NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The first year exceeded our highest expectations in the number of patients, in the amount of charity work and the extent of influence and blessings in our great home of healing. Fourteen hundred patients were treated. Nearly two hundred charity patients came to us from every quarter of the state. Your committee believes that we were very fortunate indeed in locating our hospital at Winston-Salem. The location is ideal, elevated on a very high point and well drained in every way.

We think that the doctors of Winston-Salem are unsurpassed in the state of North Carolina. The hospital has been full of patients during the year. There are eighty-six available beds. The fifth floor is still being used for graduate nurses because we have no nurses' home. We believe there will be fifty per cent

more patients who will go to our hospital this year.

We understand that all the nurses, both graduate and those in training, are Christians and are pleasant, courteous and earnest. They are in the profession for a high purpose and they give their patients their very best and most willing attention. They seem to love the cause dearly.

The grounds around our hospital have been greatly beautified during the past year. We have the prospect for a most attractive and beautiful campus in the near future.

Our hospital has urgent needs at this time. We especially need money to carry on charity work. Mothers' Day offering amounted to about $10,000. This amount did not pay for the supplies and expenses of the opening of the hospital. This left our hospital in debt for all charity work already done and facing the necessity of borrowing every cent for charity for the next twelve months.

A nurses' home is needed very badly. Your committee hopes that someone who is in a position to do it will give us a home for the nurses.

Ten thousand dollars is needed very badly to buy radium. Many patients come to us with cancers and other malignant diseases which cannot be cured unless we have the radium. Doubtless many lives can be saved by the use of radium. Of course our staff has to obtain permission from the City hospital to use theirs. We should thank the Lord for the great interest that at last is being taken by the Baptist churches in social work in the various fields. Your committee would recommend that our churches in the association make a substantial offering annually on Mothers' Day for the benefit of our great institution.

C. M. WALL.

The report was discussed by J. M. Hilliard, F. B. Hamrick and adopted.

On motion the association adjourned to meet again at 7:30.

EVENING SESSION

The report on the Orphanage was read by W. A. Hough as follows:

ORPHANAGE REPORT

The thirty-ninth annual report of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage is indeed encouraging. Many marks of improvement are noticeable when we read Manager Kesler's report, and when we drive over the grounds.

The Orphanage is the one vital living department of our denominational work that keeps us in constant touch with the crying needs of our dependent children. For thirty-nine years this work has been growing until we are now caring for 550 children at Thomasville and the Kennedy Home, with 312 out in the state with their own mothers.

The current fund necessary to maintain the Orphanage is around $175,000 annually, not including buildings and improvements. The contribution of one Sunday in each month from the Sunday schools and a great Thanksgiving offering equal to one day's income has become the main source of supply. The marvelous way in which the Lord has blessed this big home is a loud call for our continued loyalty. The denomination has been wonderfully strengthened by the reflex influence of their generous giving to the Orphanage.

The helpless childhood of our state and their constant appeal to us for help, lays upon us the obligation to widen our work, and to reach out the hand of help to those who are without a penny, a home or a friend. There are hundreds of children in North Carolina utterly destitute who are as worthy and as promising as those who are already enjoying the blessings and protection of the Orphanage. This fact not only lays an obligation upon us, but constitutes a great and glorious opportunity which properly improved will enable us to hear: "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these ye did it unto me."

From the territory of this association 24 children are being cared for at the Orphanage and 15 are receiving care through the Mothers' Aid, making a total of 39 receiving aid from the institution at an annual cost of $7200. This fact is appealing and should stir every Sunday school and church in the association to make larger investments in the Orphanage.

Your committee would again recommend:

1. A monthly contribution from every Sunday school in the association.

2. The plan of setting apart one day for the Orphanage at or near Thanksgiving by every man, woman and child in the association.

3. A club of Charity and Children in the well organized Sunday schools with an individual copy to as many others as possible.

Respectfululy submitted,
W. A. HOUGH.

The report was discussed by W. A. Hough, C. F. Gaddy, J. M. Hilliard, W. L. Barrs and adopted.

Addresses on Christian education were delivered by R. T. Vann and E. F. Mumford.

On motion the association adjourned till 9:30 tomorrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

Devotional services were conducted by E. W. Byerly and the association was called to order by the moderator.

The following report on education was read and adopted:

REPORT ON EDUCATION

The life of a nation depends upon its schools. The value of a school depends upon its ideals. The ideals of a school have their highest worth only as they are Christian. It is the duty of the churches to make these ideals dominant in education.

To this end North Carolina Baptists have inaugurated a broad and systematic educational program. They are undertaking to maintain in this state one college for men at Wake Forest, and two for women—Meredith at Raleigh, and Chowan at Murfreesboro. From last reports Wake Forest enrolled 873, including the summer school, and among these 90 ministerial students and volunteers; the two women colleges enrolled 582, including 26 student volunteers. The combined property value of the three including endowment is $3,453,700.

Mars Hill and Wingate are maintained as Junior colleges, enrolling last year 738, including 76 ministerial students and volunteers. Their property valuation is $369,065. Also, there are 100 high school students in the Thomasville Orphanage.

In addition to these institutions, the Home Mission Board maintains 7 high schools, enrolling last year 776 in high school and 284 in elementary school, including 62 ministerial students and volunteers. Their property value was $437,693.

The totals for all Baptists schools in the state are: Students enrolled, 4422; ministerial students and student volunteers, 336. Total property valuation $4,521,488.

Southwide institutions in which we have a part include the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary and W. M. U. Training Schools, Louisville, Ky.; the Southwestern Theological Seminary, Forth Worth, Texas, and the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans. These institutions altogether enrolled 1484 pupils, and their property is valued at $2,277,000. It is for the maintenance of these institutions that our Education Board is laboring.

While the $5,000,000, in round numbers, which we have invested in school property in this state seems a large sum, it is small in comparison with the many millions invested in state schools; and the few thousands which we raise annually for our schools is a trifling sum when compared with the state's annual appropriation to her high schools, colleges and university. In addition to maintaining these institutions themselves, we are helping to support our 330 young ministerial and missionary students, who are being trained in them; on these we expend about $18,000 a year.

The necessity for maintaining our schools, great as it has been in the past, must increase rather than diminish for the future, for the following reasons:

1. Because our institutions must be kept in the front rank along with those of the state in the cultural training that they give, or we cannot hope to keep our Baptist boys and girls in our

schools.

2. Heretofore, practically nine-tenths of our educated ministers and missionaries have come out of our Baptist institutions; and in the nature of the case, these still must be trained in our schools or nowhere. Moreover, the state is rapidly enlarging and strengthening her educational program, and compelling all her children to be educated. This, of course, means a much more intelligent membership in our churches, and that we must educate a still larger proportion of our ministers and leaders; for an educated membership will demand an educated leadership.

3. Because of the tendency of some students of science to attack the Bible from the standpoint of science, we must train our God-fearing men and women to meet these scientists on their own ground, and while pursuing all knowledge in all realms, to relate all knowledge and all science to God Almighty. In our schools the Bible is revered and taught as the inspired word of God, and the study of it is required of all.

4. The denominational school emphasizes not only the religious spirit but the denominational principles as well, and thus they help to enlighten and strengthen their students in respect to our distinctive doctrines, and also to enlist them loyally in our Baptist enterprises.

The report on foreign missions was read by G. F. Hankins as follows:

FOREIGN MISSIONS

In attempting to make to this association a report on the most important subject that can occupy the time of its deliberation, I feel very greatly my own limitation, and find myself inadequately prepared to do this subject or this association justice.

Broadly speaking, foreign missions is the ultimate purpose of our religious activities, the bringing to bear upon all people everywhere, the influence of that, which we hold above all, in our moral and spiritual life.

The field for discussion and thought is so large that no one could hope to cover it, or to touch even the shores of its oceans of interest. However, a few general facts of our accomplishments as a part of the Christian activities of this country, may be worth our time and meditation.

Since the first inauguration of our activities as a denomination in the foreign lands we have established workers and homes in practically every continent and country on the globe. The converts and associated relatives, who have embraced this saving faith run into hundreds of thousands.

Our activities in the field of medicine and hospital service have placed us as the real exponents of applied Christianity in the hearts and aspirations of the under-privileged wherever our activities reach.

As the result of our past sacrifices and earnest work the life

and ideals and hopes which Jesus brought to the world have been greatly magnified and glorified.

The contemplation of these past deeds of righteousness and goodness should stir and stimulate us to a renewed effort in the great work which our Master has committed to us with all his followers everywhere, namely that his name and his ideals and his purposes for a lost world should become the free and priceless possession of every soul everywhere.

Respectfully submitted,
G. F. HANKINS.

The report was discussed by G. F. Hankins, R. T. Vann, and was adopted.

The moderator appointed the following brethren to prepare reports for the next session:

Biblical Recorder: W. L. Barrs, C. H. Teague.
Womans' Work: F. B. Hamrick, D. S. Hayworth.
Orphanage: H. R. Kyser, E. W. Byerly.
State of Churches: W. A. Hough, C. M. Wall.
Sunday Schools: J. S. Nichols, L. E. Teague.
Home Missions: H. E. Olive, G. W. Miller.
Foreign Missions: C. H. Trueblood, J. R. Craver.
State Missions: E. N. Gardner, S. E. Warfford.
Ministerial Relief: J. R. Proctor, J. A. Simpson.
B. Y. P. U.: C. F. Gaddy, T. H Small
Baptist Hospital: G F. Hankins, J. W. Tuttle.

The report on the state of the churches was read by F. B. Hamrick as follows:

REPORT ON STATE OF CHURCHES

According to the best information obtainable there are now more resident pastors in the Liberty association than ever before. A glance at the minutes of 1921 finds only four active resident pastors in our midst and now we have eight well equipped men of God that are giving their whole time to this blessed work, and by January the Orphanage church will have a whole time man in Rev. E. N. Gardner, who has recently accepted a hearty call. Reports from all of these pastors show a year of substantial progress.

The reports from the Sunday schools are indeed heartening. In the majority of churches the enrollment, average attendance, and additions from the Sunday schools show a splendid increase. One church reports as many as forty-nine baptims from the Sunday school. Let us ever keep in mind that the main business of the Sunday school is to win the lost to Christ and that the soul-winners of a church are almost invariably found in the Sunday school. Our pastors and superintendents should co-operate in a soul-winning program covering the entire fifty-two weeks in every year. Soul-winning preachers and teachers are always at-

tractive and never lack for hearers. No superintendent should allow any of our four special denominational days go by without utilizing the inspiration and information found in these programs.

Many of our churches have not found the joy and delight in the W. M. S. ad B. Y. P. U. organizations. These are mighty forces in co-operating with the church and Sunday school in pushing forward the kingdom. Let us encourage and co-operate with our leaders in giving Biblical Recorder, Home and Foreign Fields, Royal Service, and Charity and Children a place in our homes, knowing if our people are informed much greater interest in all

It is good to note that in every report we have received from of our affairs of the kingdom will be manifested.
the pastors the churches have been giving to all the objects of the convention.

Some facts and figures gathered from the letters:

One-fifth of the churches have gone to full time preaching.

	1923	1924
Total baptisms	253	386
Pastors' salary	$11,624.94	$14,375.27
Denominational objects	$10,395.95	$11,794.39
W. M. U. gifts		$4,486.75

Respectfully submitted,
F. B. HAMRICK.

The report was discussed by F. B. Hamrick, E. F. Mumford, Jno. S. Nichols, D. P. Morris, W. A. Hough, E. W. Byerly, H. A. Powell, W. L. Earrs, and was adopted.

The report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. A. L. Curry as follows:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

The Liberty W. M. U. has practically given $4000 the past year, $3800 of which goes to the 75 Million Campaign.

The Sunbeams have given $146, G. A.'s $80 and Y. W. A. $3.

The reports from the associational meeting held at Stoners Grove church show that many of our women tithe in time as well as money.

Hundreds of visits have been made to the poor, the sick, and to prisoners, and a few cottage prayer meetings held in the homes of invalids.

Through the "house to house" plan many religious talks have been made to non-going church folks, and a few fallen ones lifted up to Christ.

With a little encouragement from the brethren our women might do much more for the Master.

Respectfully submitted,
C. A. OWENS.

The report was discussed by Mrs. A. L. Curry, Mrs. R. S. Green, J. D. Newton, R. T. Vann, and was adopted.

Under miscellaneous business J. D. Newton made motion that the association recommend to the church at Lexington that it elect Mrs. A. L. Curry a deaconess.

Motion was ruled out of order by the moderator. Whereupon G. F. Hankins made inquiry of the chair as to why he had so ruled, and was informed that it was not the duties of the association to dictate to the church at Lexington as to who it should appoint as deacons.

The committee appointed to make apportionment among the different churches of the $13,000 to be raised in the 1925 campaign by the association, made the following recommendation:

Abbotts Creek, $1600; Center Hill, $500; Churchland, $700; Denton, $600; Tabernacle, $600; Gravel Hill, $200; Holloways, $400; Jersey, $500; Lexington, $3000; Liberty, $300; Lick Creek, $250; New Friendship, $300; Oak Hill, $50; Orphanage, $2000; Reeds, $400; Rich Fork, $200; Smith Grove, $200; Southside, $100; Westfield, $100; Stoners Grove, $800; Summerville, $150; Taylors Grove, $50; Thomasville, $2500; Wallburg, $700; Walters Grove, $50; Welcome, $250.

The recommendation was adopted.

The following resolution was submitted and adopted, along with the amendment hereto:

Resolved, First: That we, the Liberty Association, in our ninety-first session at Reeds Baptist church, feeling the need of the support of all our pastors, hereby request and urge our pastors to be present the first day and stay until the body finishes the work.

Resolved, second: That those who are requested to write reports on any subject by all means be present and speak on the report.

Resolved, third: That all churches ask their pastors to attend the association.

Resolved, fourth: That we enjoy having our traveling brethren with us and hearing them bring the good news of our great work in every department, but we do feel that we should have time for our own pastors and laymen to discuss our local work. We think thirty minutes for any one to speak is long enough.

W. L. BARRS.

AMENDMENT

Resolved, fifth: That all delegates elected by the churches make it a point to attend the association and remain till the sessions of same close.

G. W. MILLER.

The following resolution offered by W. A. Hough was adopted.

Reoslved, that this association ask the pastors to lend their substantial sympathy and co-operation to the activities of the

W. M. U. of the association in a way not hitherto done.

On motion the association adjourned till 2:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Association called to order by the moderator.

D. P. Morris, pastor of the church at Taylor's Grove, was given a few minutes to place before the association the condition of the church at that place. He reported that the church building had been blown down by a wind storm and asked for any aid which could be given. The moderator urged all the pastors to take a special collection in their churches to help rebuild this church. $21.50 was raised in a collection taken at the close of Bro. Morris' talk.

The report on Home Missions was read by J. A. Combs as follows:

HOME MISSIONS

The wonderful progress made during the last few years in home mission endeavor, especially during the five-year period of the 75 Million Campaign, has been unique and outstanding in Baptist annals. A study of the Home Mission Board's annual reports for these five years reveals a record of great achievements. Notwithstanding the embarrassment of a heavy debt that has rested on the board for four years past, God has bestowed unwonted favor upon the labors of the missionaries and evangelists of the board. Meetings of great power have been held in various fields and thousands have been brought to Christ. Fields notably hard, where for years we have been laboring and laying foundations, are coming to self-support and in turn are having a part in our denominational work. Enlargement is called for from every direction. The calls are many and heart-searching from weak churches needing help and destitute fields needing missionaries in the countryside and in our growing towns and cities.

Changing conditions in the industrial world, the migration of the negroes by hundreds of thousands to the north, the test of our civilization by the creeping in of insidious error in our schools and colleges, all these call for the leavening power of the gospel. Who that reads our daily papers can deny that there is throughout our land a deplorable attitude on the part of multitudes of people with respect to law and government. The gospel is the pure corrective for all these things and our Home Mission Board furnishes for Southern Baptists a great southwide agency for giving the gospel in its purity and power.

The Home Mission Board, notwithstanding its burdensome debt and consequent retrenchment in its forces, presents a wonderful outlook for the future. So marvelous have been God's favors upon our people in the last few years, and especially during the five-year campaign, that we are able by virtue of our forces and resources to seize the present situation and make

Southern Baptists the greatest single religious force in the south and throughout our nation. The south constitutes the nursery, the training ground, the granary, the source of supplies, indeed, for our conquest in all lands. If we fail here we fail everywhere! If we succeed here we can succeed everywhere! May God help our people in this great day of opportunity with high resolve to meet the issues worthily and hasten the coming of His kingdom throughout the earth!

The following is a brief summary of some features of the board's work for the last five years: Sermons and addresses, 802,382; prayer meetings, 101,075; religious visits, 1,238,210; baptims, 203,532; total additions to churches, 324,086; workers' conferences held, 4,667; volunteers for Christian service, 15,049; church houses built or improved, 2,225; Sunday schools organized, 3,183; copies Scripture given, 55,533; pages tracts distributed, 35,812,479.

The 75 Million Campaign closes with December, 1924, and it has been stated that if we raise the full 75 million dollars and home missions receives its due proportion we can pay off all of the board's debt and be ready for an aggressive work for the future.

J. A. COMBS.

The report was discussed by J. A. Combs and was adopted.

The following report on B. Y. P. U. was read by Prevette Westmoreland.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

Our Baptist Young Peoples Union is one of the most important, and was until a short time ago, one of the most neglected organizations among southern Baptists. When our southern B. Y. P. U. was organized at Atlanta in 1896, and even when our present B. Y. P. U. in North Carolina was organized at Ridgecrest in 1909, few people realized its importance or foresaw its tremendous growth. But this organization filled a long-felt need and today it has spread not only throughout our own state, not only throughout the south, but throughout the world. Our B. Y. P. U. quarterly is now published in many different languages, including Spanish and Chinese. The work is being carried on in China, Japan, Roumania, Spain, Africa, Mexico, and South America.

The report of the Southern Baptist Convention in May of this year showed that we have in the south 15,974 organizations, a gain of 2186 over the previous year; and a total enrollment of 495,144, a gain of 66,931 members. North Carolina stands third in the south with 41,182 members, enrolled in 1378 Unions, and shows a gain last year of 246 Unions and 7380 members.

The Baptist Young Peoples State Convention held in June at Wilmington was by far the greatest and most successful ever

held. This gathering was especially distinguished by the spirit of earnestness and consecration which seemed to surround it. All who attended came home with a greater appreciation of the seriousness and importance of B. Y. P. U. work in North Carolina.

The churches of the Liberty Baptist Association constitute a fruitful field for B. Y. P. U. work, and the work is being carried forward rapidly among them. There are at present 11 unions, with an average enrollment of 35 members, making a total of approximately 385 persons within our association taking an active part in B. Y. P. U. work. The average attendance for this year has been more than two-thirds of the members enrolled. The young people have been especially active in organizing new unions, raising money for various church funds, securing subscriptions for the Biblical Recorder, conducting services in the absence of the pastors, and sending trained teachers and workers into all the other departments of the church.

Our young people are becoming more interested every day, and our older people are just beginning to see that the B. Y. P. U. is the one tremendous force for holding and training our young people, and through them shaping the future of our whole Baptist denomination. May God grant that our B. Y. P. U. will not fail in its great task, but that it may press forward, do its tasks day by day, and ever go forward with a vision of higher and nobler things before it.

PREVETTE WESTMORELAND.

The report was discussed by Prevette Westmoreland, James Honeycutt, Jno. S. Nichols, W. L. Barrs, Mrs. E. W. Byerly, F. B. Hamrick, John R. Miller, Mrs. A L Curry, Mrs. Estelle Cocke, and was adopted.

A motion was made by Jno. S. Nichols that the association appoint Prevette Westmoreland B. Y. P. U. organizer for the association.

After discussion the motion was adopted.

The report on Sunday Schools was read by W. L. Barrs as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

North Carolina Baptists have every reason to be proud of the genuine and substantial progress that is being made in all phases of our Sunday school work. We rank well among southern Baptists in Sunday school achievements and the development of the future is limited only by our lack of means.

No great movement goes forward steadily. There are ebbs and flows. In the early days of these movements certain traditions are fixed. Some of these are helpful in future years. Many others are handicaps. Some early traditions in the Sunday school now hinder us but some of these are being broken down.

No longer do we consider Sunday schools for children only.

The organized class movement now enlists tens of thousands of men and women. The Sunday schools are ceasing to be religious mass meetings and are becoming real educational institutions with suitable buildings and equipment, and in these departments and grades with men and women trained for their tasks. This breaking down of some traditions is one of the most helpful signs in the work.

Policies and plans are becoming stable. These are fixed in a large measure by the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn. This board and its workers with the state workers meet at regular intervals to study the best things to be done and how to do them. The Sunday school that follows the results of these conferences will not go far wrong in reaching a high degree of efficiency. In fact, to follow these means that a Sunday school becomes as effective as any agency for anything in the community.

Membership in Sunday school varies. We do not stabilize the enrollment as in church membership. Many schools make quick removal of names for non-attendance. The years of 1921 and 1922 showed great gains. This was a recovery from conditions following the war. This year has been a good one. We now have 2,159 schools with a membership of 274,524. This is a gain of 9,028 over last year. There are some church schools and many branch schools not reported. In the last four years we have gained 60,769. This is more than we gained in the ten years preceding, 1901 to 1919. There are now probably 2,200 schools with a membership of 280,000.

Colleges and schools have put our Normal books in their curricula. North Carolina leads the south in this phase of Sunday school work. Last year more than 2200 Normal awards were received by these institutions. These fine young people are to be our future leaders. The work is so well established in these institutions that but little time is given to it. The work ought to be pressed in Baptist churches in which boarding students of state schools worship.

The rural campaign was a marked success though much less extensive than last year. The Sunday school board pays half the expenses of the special workers named above and also of Mr. Barnett as a special rural worker. The special workers held 125 institutes, reaching 284 churches. The enrollment in classes was 3000, with over 4000 others listening but not buying books and doing regular work. Over 1100 Normal awards were issued. This entire campaign cost our mission board only $1,125.

Teacher training is our greatest task and is growing. During last year we received 1409 Normal diplomas, 359 Red Seals for completing a four book course, 138 Red Seals for the eight book course. The total number of awards received was 5321. This gives us a good rating among the states. We are fourth in number of diplomas and third in total awards. We cannot urge

this work on pastors, superintendents and teachers too strongly.

Children's Week in October was observed in many churches. This was the first year of this movement that has for its aim the uniting of homes and churches in the religious training of our children. The department is much encouraged by the response this year. Much may be accomplished through this phase of Sunday school work.

FACING THE FUTURE

We face the future with hopefulness. Everything does not go to our liking, but there are many reasons for optimism. We want to re-emphasize a few things.

1. The task of reaching more people must ever be kept before our people. With over 500,000 unenlisted in our constituency there is a call for serious and prayerful thought and action.

2. Scores of churches are building new houses or enlarging old ones. We beg for thoughtfulness here. Consult the secretary of Architectural Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn.

3. Sunday schools are graded in over half our churches. This must go on, but we must go further and use the departments.

4. Teacher training is still our largest and hardest task. Press it everywhere and in every way possible.

5. The present number of regular workers ought to be continued and as liberal appropriation as possible ought to be made for rural work.

W. L. BARRS.

The report was discussed by W. L. Barrs and adopted.

M. L. Kesler was elected to represent the association at the Baptist State Convention.

C. M. Wall was elected representative of the association at the Southern Baptist Convention.

Motion was made and carried that the proceedings of the Woman's Missionary Union be printed in the minutes of this association.

Upon motion, which was carried, G. W. Miller, M. L. Kesler and H. E. Olive were appointed a committee to consider the advisability of organizing a Sunday School Convention for this association.

It was reported by the Stoners Grove delegation that Ronald Wall had been ordained and he was recognized as a new minister in the association.

Discussion in regard to payment of pledges on 75 million campaign, tithing, etc., were made by G. W. Miller, W. L. Barrs, W. A. Hough and E. F. Mumford.

The following resolution was offered by L. E. Teague:

"Resolved: That the Liberty Association express its sincere thanks and appreciation to Reeds Baptist church for their bountiful hospitality extended the session of the association while in

their midst."

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

The finance committee reported $67.20 for printing minutes and for clerk, and $8.05 for missions.

After singing "Bless be the Tie that Binds" and benediction the association adjourned.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON, Morderator,
SAM J. SMITH, Clerk.

Woman's Missionary Union

The Liberty W. M. U. held its eighteenth annual meeting with the Southmont church on August 21, 1924.

MORNING SESSION

After the opening hymn, "I Gave my Life for Thee," the devotional was conducted by the superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Green. Prayer by the pastor, Rev. H. T. Penry.

A hearty word of welcome was given by Mrs. A. F. Warfford, of the Stoners Grove Society, to which Mrs. S. G. Hasty, of Lexington, responded.

Roll call of Woman's Missionary Societies, the representatives simply reading the total amounts contributed and some added a word about the work during the year.

The report of the secretary-treasurer showed $3.88 in the treasury.

The Personal Service chairman, Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, read a most interesting report of the work done by the societies during the year. It showed hundreds of religious visits made; many quarts of milk, numbers of magazines and books distributed as well as garments for the needy, flowers to the sick and numerous other items.

The superintendent introduced to the Union the following visitors and new workers who have come among us:

Mrs. M. W. Buck, superintendent of the Greensboro division.

Dr. M. W. Buck, pastor Burlington First Church.

Mrs. A. R. Gallimore, missionary to China.

Mrs. Beulah Hazelrigg, of the Orphanage.

Mrs. E. W. Byerly, wife of the pastor at Southside church.

Rev. H. T. Penry, pastor of the Southmont church.

The superintendent delivered her annual address, the subject of which was "Faithfulness", and strongly appealed to the members of all societies for faithfulness in every phase of the work.

Song by Miss Elizabeth Myers, of Lexington.

In arranging the program the superintendent took the Standard of Excellence as a basis for discussion and the various points were discussed as follows:

Bible and Mission Study: Mrs. M. W. Buck.

Enlistment, Soul Winning, Personal Service: Mrs. A. L.

Curry.

Gifts: Mrs. Beulah Hazelrigg.

Reports: Miss Sallie McCracken.

Prayer: Mrs. Maggie Scarborough.

A paper on Foreign Missions was read by Mrs. R. L. Palmer.

Mrs. W. J. Griffin read a paper on Stewardship.

After an address by Mrs. M. W. Buck the following committees were appointed:

Nominating Committee: Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, Miss Roxie Sheets, Mrs. G. C. Palmer, Mrs. W. L. Barrs, Miss Lula Motsinger.

Time and Place: Mrs. Alda Craver, Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Mrs. Mary Davis.

Resolutions: Mrs. E. W. Byerly, Miss Ola Beanblossom, Mrs. R. A. Allen.

Literature: Mrs. W. J. Griffin, Miss Esther Newton.

Obituaries: Mrs. S. G. Hasty, Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Mrs. Stewart Stone.

Adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After a song by the congregation and one from three little girls from the Jersey church the devotional was conducted by Mrs. E. W. Byerly.

Roll call of young people's societies.

Song by Misses Elizabeth Myers and Eugenia Webster, of Lexington.

Mrs. E. W. Byerly gave a talk on college Y. W. A. work.

Mrs. A. R. Gallimore gave an account of her work in China. She told of the difficulties and pleasures in the work and explained to the societies how they could be helpful in giving Christmas cheer to the poor people in China.

Importance of fostering Young People's Societies was discussed in a paper by Mrs. J. D. Newton.

Song by three little daughters of Mrs. R. L. Palmer.

Life in the Training School at the Southwestern Seminary in Texas was described by Mrs. Beulah Hazelrigg.

The various committees reported, and their reports were adopted.

Nominating Committee:

Superintendent: Mrs. R. S. Green.

Associate Superintendent: Mrs. Winona Swaim.

Secretary-Treasurer: Miss Sallie L. McCracken.

Mission Study Superintendent: Mrs. Chas. F. Lambeth.

Personal Service Chairman: Mrs. C. C. Pritchard.

Junior Superintendent: Mrs. E. W. Byerly.

Time and Place: Thursday before the fourth Sunday in August, with Reeds church.

Resolutions committee reported through Mrs. Byerly as follows: We, the ladies of the Woman's Missionary Union of the

Liberty Association, resolve:

First: That we express our sincere appreciation for the kindness and welcome given us by the W. M. S. of the Stoner's Grove Baptist church, together with their pastor.

Second: That we express our thanks for the sumptuous dinner which was greatly enjoyed by all present.

The obituary committee reported the deaths of Mrs. John W. Finch, of Lexington, and Mrs. O. L. Myers, of Thomasville.

LIST OF DELEGATES

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Abbotts Creek—By report.
Churchland—Mrs. L. E. Rickard, Mrs. J. M. Penniger.
Denton—Mrs. R. A Allen, Mrs. Mary E. Davis.
Holloways—Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Mrs. G. C. Palmer, Mrs. D. R. Beanblossom.
Jersey—Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Mrs. W. L. Smith, Mrs. O. F. Tate.
Lexington—Miss Roxie Sheets, Mrs. A. L. Pickard, Mrs. S. G. Hasty.
New Friendship—Mrs. W. G. Griffin, Mrs. C. F. Motsinger, Miss Evie Wilson.
Orphanage—Miss Kate Warwick, Miss Lillie Taylor, Mrs. M. Scarborough.
Reeds—Mrs. W. L. Barrs, Mrs. Clyde Snider, Mrs. O. M. Staton.
Rich Fork—By report.
Stoners Grove—Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Mrs. C. C. Wrenn, Mrs. S. E. Warfford.
Thomasville—Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, Mrs. Stewart Stone, Mrs. R. S. Green.
Wallburg—By report.
Stoners Grove—Lucy Larson, Ruth Wrenn, Lena Morris.
Thomasville—By report.

Y. W. A.

Wallburg—Miss Lula Motsinger, Mrs. E. Lee Fox, Miss Ruth Mock.
Thomasville—By report.

GIRLS' AUXILIARY

Lexington—Ina Hunt, Pauline Lopp, Esther Hutchins.
Orphanage—By report.
Thomasville—By report.
Wallburg—By report.

SUNBEAMS

Holloways—Bessie Briggs, Arline Styers, Alpha McCarn.
Lexington—Dorothy Myers, Lyda Lee.
New Friendship—Dallas Swaim, Virginia May Griffin.
Orphanage, Acorn—By report.
Orphanage, Herring—By report.
Orphanage, Mitchell—By report.

Y. W. A., G. A. AND SUNBEAM TABLE

NAME OF ORGANIZATION	PRESIDENT & POSTOFFICE	No. Members	75 Million (All Objects)	Other Benevolences	Total Contributions
Orphanage, Y. W. A.		32			$2.00
Thomasville, Y. W. A.	Miss Lillian Valloy	7	3.38		3.38
	LEADER				5.38
Lexington, G. A.	Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Lexington	20	50.00		50.00
Orphanage, G. A.	Mrs. S. L. Osborne, Thomasville	42	9.74		9.74
Thomasville, G. A.	Mrs. C. M. Howell, Thomasville	12	12.26		12.26
Wallburg, G. A.	Miss Augusta Britt, Wallburg	6	8.55		8.55
	LEADER		80.55		80.55
Holloways, Sunbeam	Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Lexington, R 6	25	3.76		3.76
Lexington, Sunbeam			14.50		14.50
New Friendship, Sunbeam	Miss Florence Motsinger, W-Salem, R 5	39	10.75		10.75
Orphanage—Acorn, Sunbeam	Mrs Mary Baker, Thomasville	31	5.40		5.40
Orphanage—Herring, Sunbeam	Mrs. Mary Baker, Thomasville	36	5.76		5.76
Orphanage—Durham, Sunbeam			15.99		15.99
Orphanage—Mtchell, Sunbeam	Mrs. Maggie Scarborough, Thomasville	35	29.81	5.70	35.51
Stoners Grove, Sunbeam	Miss Myrtle Davis, Linwood, R 2	25	20.00		20.00
Thomasville, Sunbeam	Mrs. C. F. Lambeth, Thomasville	38	33.24		33.24
Wallburg, Sunbeam			15.57		15.57
			$154.78	$5.70	$160.48

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCH	SUPT. & POSTOFFICE	SEC'Y & POSTOFFICE	Officers and Teachers	No. Pupils	TOTAL	Baptisms from S. S.	Contributions Home Exp.	Contributions for Orphanage, Missions, etc.	Total Contributions
Abbotts Creek	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	Floyd Teague, Kernersville	7	80	87	3	$54.04	$131.08	$185.08
Center Hill	H. L. Miller, Linwood	S. E. Jarrett, Linwood	7	116	123	4	69.69	85.07	154.76
Churchland	W. H. Loman, Linwood	Murphey Barnes, Linwood	16	172	188	16	110.02	174.53	284.55
Denton	S. E. Smith, Denton	R. A. Allen, Denton	9	208	217	19	265.40	28.73	294.13
Gravel Hill	T. H. Davis, Rileys Store	E. M. Russell, Rileys Store	6	108	114	8	24.00		24.00
Holloways	G. C. Palmer, High Rock	Ottis Hedrick, High Rock	8	145	153	3	31.00	19.25	50.25
Jersey	J. D. Palmer, Linwood	Lee Palmer, Linwood	8	99	107	11	34.60	32.04	66.64
Lexington	Dr. C. R. Sharpe, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	25	505	530	25	441.72	215.00	656.72
Liberty	N. T. Kindley, Thomasville	Miss Clara Black, Thomasville	8	152	160		36.50	10.00	46.50
Lick Creek	B. C. Cole, High Rock	Milton Cole, High Rock	6	39	45		10.00		10.00
New Friendship	E. L. Snyder, Winston, R 5	H. F. Swaim, Winston	8	137	143	10	285.89	74.38	360.27
Oak Hill	E. Searles, Thomasville		5	43	48		17.00		17.00
Orphanage	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	Lonnie Dail, Thomasville	48	467	515	43	65.75	803.32	869.07
Reeds	D. J. Crew, Lexington	A. R. Craver, Lexington	14	225	239	27	74.50		74.50
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	Zula Marsh, Thomasville	9	154	165		38.00	10.00	48.00
Smith Grove	G. A. Clement, Linwood, R 1	E. W. Koontz, Linwood	8	87	95	7	25.52		25.52
Southside	E. H. Mullis, Thomasville	Odell Beck, Thomasville	13	177	190	2	128.27	27.67	155.94
Stoners Grove	G. E. Warfford, Linwood	Walter Warfford, Linwood	12	132	144	7	152.00	233.40	385.40
Summerville	Earnest Dean, High Rock	Miss Genie Rogers, High Rock	6	59	65		15.00		15.00
Tabernacle	W. H. Brown, Erlanger	E. S. Nance, Erlanger	18	461	479	38	382.66		382.66
Thomasville	P. C. Newton, Thomasville	A. Z. Boles, Thomasville	19	540	559	49	714.41	755.23	1469.64
Wallburg	E. O. Wall, Wallburg	J. H. Yokley, Wallburg	10	113	123	23	146.65	95.61	242.26
Walters Grove	Avery Woodle, Cid	Clara Pierce, Cid	6	80	86	6	9.87		9.87
Welcome	M. L. Craver, Welcome	M. O. Haynes, Welcome	6	94	100		60.00		60.00
Westfield	G. W. Summey, Fullers	R. A. Summey, Fullers	8	82	90	2	12.00		12.00
		Totals	290	4475	4765	303	$3204.49	$2695.30	$5897.80

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES

CHURCHES	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	75 Million Undesignated	Missions	Benevolence	Christian Education	Total Denomina'l	Total Local Church	Grand Total
Abbotts Creek	6	185	87	$118.44	$115.43	$436.18	366.40	$1036.45	$511.58	$1548.03
Center Hill	8	143	123	87.00	16.99	27.50	.....	131.49	403.10	534.59
Churchland	20	261	188	75.00	95.00	229.79	3.50	403.47	2311.61	2715.08
Denton	19	237	217	445.55	.....	84.65	.....	530.20	1077.40	1607.60
Gravel Hill	8	53	114	.....	40.00	38.81	.....	78.81	275.80	354.61
Holloways	3	193	153	168.43	.....	69.50	.....	237.93	491.57	729.50
Jersey	22	177	107	268.10	.....	40.00	.....	308.10	666.26	974.36
Lexington	31	638	530	1366.99	608.06	1117.39	.....	3092.42	7963.93	11056.35
Liberty	.....	158	160	106.18	.....	.....	.....	106.18	545.39	651.57
Lick Creek	5	103	45	.....	40.00	25.00	10.00	75.00	255.25	330.25
New Friendship	18	156	143	14.90	88.52	54.00	5.00	162.42	826.47	988.89
Oak Hill	.....	40	48	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.00	17.00
Orphanage	43	415	515	41.39	876.73	1341.53	228.97	2488.62	858.00	3346.62
Reeds	32	267	239	220.89	.....	.....	.....	220.89	1106.14	1327.03
Rich Fork	31	183	165	160.00	.....	65.00	.....	225.00	447.00	672.00
Smith Grove	7	116	95	7.45	17.25	18.65	.....	43.35	352.11	395.46
South Side	2	74	190	105.00	15.00	15.00	.....	135.00	657.94	792.00
Stoners Grove	8	153	144	84.85	162.50	361.63	18.40	627.38	876.87	1524.25
Summerville	9	233	65	51.30	.....	9.35	.....	60.65	298.13	358.78
Tabernacle	39	192	479	73.37	50.00	.....	.....	123.37	5632.20	5755.57
Taylors Grove	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	526.00	526.00
Thomasville	53	386	559	1597.90	82.69	837.44	.....	2518.03	4391.66	6909.69
Wallburg	28	175	123	488.55	95.00	555.35	.....	1138.90	805.10	1944.00
Walters Grove	8	67	86	10.00	.....	.....	.....	10.00	98.37	108.37
Welcome	.....	70	100	160.00	.....	56.00	.....	216.00	608.50	824.50
Westfield	2	63	90	6.38	.....	.....	.....	6.38	285.85	292.23
Totals	402	4756	4765	5657.67	2303.17	5382.77	632.27	13970.60	32290.23	46260.87

CHURCH	PRESIDENT & POSTOFFICE	No. Members	75 Million (All Objects)	Other Benevolences	Total Contributions
Abbotts Creek	Mrs. D. S. Hayworth, High Point, R 4	.....	$105.00	.....	$105.00
Churchland	Mrs. L. E. Rickard, Linwood, R 1	12	55.60	.75	56.35
Denton	Mrs. A. L. Snider, Denton	18	189.20	2.50	191.70
Holloways	Miss Elva Crook, High Rock, R 1	35	98.80	1.50	100.30
Jersey	Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Linwood	21	142.64	164.78	307.42
Lexington	Mrs. W. J. Lancaster, Lexington	100	699.25	104.45	803.70
New Friendship	Mrs. W. J. Griffin, W-Salem, R 4	32	69.68	.50	70.18
Orphanage	Mrs. Beulah Hazelrigg, Thomasville	.....	1053.98	42.50	1096.48
Reeds	Mrs. Alda Craver, Lexington, R 3	20	74.41	45.00	119.41
Rich Fork	.....	.....	33.00	.....	33.00
Stoners Grove	Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Linwood	15	143.75	2.00	145.75
Thomasville	Mrs. R. S. Green, Thomasville	56	1089.05	6.45	1095.50
Wallburg	Mrs. Ben Wall, Wallburg	13	100.60	1.00	101.60
	Total	.....	3854.96	371.43	4226.39
	Total from Auxiliary Societies	.....	246.41	.....	246.41
	Grand Total	.....	$4101.37	$371.43	$4672.80

STATISTICAL TABLE

CHURCH	PASTOR & POSTOFFICE	CLERK & POSTOFFICE	TREAS. & POSTOFFICE	Time of Preaching	Value Church Property	Value Pastor's Home	GAINS				LOSSES			Total Membership
							Baptism	Letter	Statement	Restoration	Letter	Exclusion	Death	
Abbotts Creek	E. F. Mumford, Wallburg	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point	C. E. Spurgeon, High Point, R 4	3d	$2000	$	6	1			3	1	2	185
Center Hill	W. L. Barrs, Lexington	C. A. Owens, Lexington	R. B. Sheets, Lexington, R 6	1st	3000		8	3			9			143
Churchland	H. T. Penry, Southmont	S. R. Simerson, Linwood	S. R. Simerson, Linwood	1st, 3d	10000		20	4			11		2	261
Denton	W. A. Hough, Denton	A. L. Snider, Denton	W. T. Tysinger, Denton	2d, 4th	6000	4,000	19	12			3		2	237
Gravel Hill	R. L. West, Rileys Store	E. M. Russell, Rileys Store	J. O. Vuncannon, Rileys Store	2d, 4th	600		8	1		1				53
Holloways	H. T. Penry, Southmont	G. C. Palmer, High Rock	D. R. Beaublossom, High Rock	2d	2000		3	1		1	2	2		193
Jersey	H. T. Penry, Southmont	L. A. Smith, Linwood	S. A. Sharpe, Linwood	2d, 4th	8000		22	1				1	2	177
Lexington	C. A. Owens, Lexington	Ed. F. Smith, Lexington	S. L. Owen, Lexington	Every	82000	10,000	31	16			9		2	638
Liberty	W. A. Hough, Denton	H. P. May, Thomasville, R 3	H. T. Kindlee, Thomasville	3d	8500									158
Lick Creek	W. A. Hough, Denton	P. M. Snider, High Rock	R. E. Reid, High Rock		5000		5						2	103
New Friendship	W. M. Swaim, Winston-Salem	A. J. Hartman, Winston, R. 4	Conrad Motsinger, W-Salem, R 5	1st	5000		18	8			1	1	2	156
Oak Hill														40
Orphanage	E. N. Gardner, Thomasville	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	Sallie McCracken, Thomasville	Every			43	8			23		1	415
Reeds	W. L. Barrs, Lexington, R 3	Arlie Myers, Lexington, R 3	W. B. Hunt, Lexington, R 5	2d, 4th	5000	4,000	32	4			1		3	267
Rich Fork	W. L. Barrs, Lexington, R 3	T. H. Small, Thomasville	T. H. Small, Thomasville	3d	3000		31	9			6		4	183
Smith Grove	H. T. Penry, Southmont	L. Yarbrough, Salaisbury, R 7	L. Yarbrough, Salisbury, R 7	4th	2000		7				1			116
Southside	E. W. Byerly, Thomasville	J. A. Simpson, Thomasville	J. A. Simpson, Thomasville	Every	1200		2	10			4	2		74
Stoners Grove	H. T. Penry, Southmont	Walter Warfford, Linwood, R 2	S. E. Warfford, Linwood, R 2	1st, 3d	3000	2,000	8	1			4	1	1	153
Summerville	D. P. Morris, Norwood	M. L. Bean, High Rock	D. P. Morris, Norwood	1st	2500		9				1		4	233
Tabernacle	Jno. S. Nichols, Norwood	J. L. Hembree, Erlanger	C. E. Leonard, Erlanger	Every	5000		39	53	11		31	3	2	192
Taylors Grove	D. P. Norris, Norwood	D. M. Summey, Lexington	Grace Bailey, Chandler		750									18
Thomasville	C. H. Trueblood, Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	Mrs R. S. Green, Thomasville	Every	30000	5,000	53	39	2	2	15			386
Wallburg	E. F. Mumford, Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	C. C. Smith, Wallburg	2d, 4th	6000		23	6			6			175
Walters Grove	W. A. Hough, Denton	J. T. Pierce, Cid	J. T. Pierce, Cid	4th	500		8				1			67
Welcome	W. L. Barrs, Lexington	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	E. S. Craver, Welcome	2d, 4th	4000			6	1					70
Westfield	H. A. Powell, Cid	R. A. Summey, Fullers	J. C. Loflin, Fullers	1st, 4th	2500		2							63
					$197550	$25,000	397	183	14	4	131	11	31	4756

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	LOCAL										DENOMINATIONAL										
	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. and B.Y.P.U. Exp.	Local Poor	Minute Fund, etc.	Other Objects	HOME TOTAL	75-Million Undesignated	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State and Asso. Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief	Other Benevolences	Denominational Total	GRAND TOTAL
Abbotts Creek	200.00	.....	.....	.....	216.00	54.08	37.50	4.00	.....	511.58	118.44	20.00	95.33	.....	366.40	406.85	23.33	2.00	4.10	1036.45	1548.03
Center Hill	250.00	.....	40.50	11.70	18.00	70.00	.....	3.00	9.90	403.10	87.00	8.99	8.00	.....	.....	.....	27.50	.....	.....	131.49	534.59
Churchland	600.00	.....	.....	1474.00	127.61	110.02	.....	.....	.....	2311.61	75.00	35.08	34.87	25.05	3.50	204.35	20.52	.....	5.06	403.43	2715.04
Denton	500.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	577.40	.....	.....	.....	1077.40	445.55	.....	.....	.....	.....	75.65	9.00	.....	.....	530.20	1607.60
Gravel Hill	200.00	.....	30.60	20.20	.....	24.00	.....	1.00	.....	275.80	.....	16.00	.....	23.50	.....	38.81	.....	.....	.....	78.81	354.61
Holloways	250.00	.....	30.57	.....	16.00	35.00	25.00	.....	135.00	491.57	168.43	.....	.....	.....	.....	66.25	3.25	.....	.....	237.93	729.50
Jersey	275.00	25.00	85.00	213.27	26.94	41.75	.....	20.00	50.00	666.26	268.10	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00	.....	.....	.....	308.10	974.36
Lexington	3000.00	830.00	702.60	1828.52	1032.84	441.72	58.25	2.00	.....	7963.93	1366.99	325.00	224.29	58.77	.....	999.85	58.77	58.77	.....	2092.42	11056.35
Liberty	250.00	.....	56.89	200.00	.....	36.50	.....	2.00	.....	545.39	106.18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	106.18	651.57
Lick Creek	175.00	.....	.....	.....	67.60	10.00	.....	2.65	.....	255.25	.....	15.00	10.00	15.00	10.00	15.00	5.00	5.00	.....	75.00	330.25
New Friendship	200.00	.....	62.00	75.00	60.00	360.27	30.00	3.00	35.00	826.47	14.90	43.77	21.15	23.60	5.00	28.00	21.00	5.00	.....	162.42	988.89
Oak Hill	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.00	.....	.....	.....	17.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17.00
Orphanage	760.00	.....	88.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	858.00	41.39	332.27	236.88	307.58	228.97	544.98	177.56	64.39	554.60	2488.62	3346.62
Reeds	600.00	.....	68.56	232.82	93.08	74.50	22.50	9.68	15.00	1106.14	220.89	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	220.89	1327.03
Rich Fork	300.00	.....	.....	.....	105.00	38.00	.....	4.00	.....	447.00	160.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	40.00	25.00	.....	.....	225.00	672.00
Smith Grove	250.00	32.00	6.40	.....	.....	25.21	35.00	3.50	.....	352.11	7.45	.....	.....	.....	.....	15.00	3.65	.....	17.25	43.35	395.46
Southside	300.00	.....	.....	260.00	.....	95.94	.....	2.00	.....	657.94	105.00	7.50	7.50	.....	.....	10.00	.....	5.00	.....	135.00	792.94
Stoners Grove	387.10	.....	54.65	218.33	48.12	152.00	.....	4.00	12.64	877.87	84.85	67.35	50.23	43.15	18.40	255.85	45.90	15.25	45.40	627.38	1504.25
Summerville	178.00	.....	58.00	.....	.....	15.00	44.41	2.55	.....	298.13	51.30	.....	.....	.....	.....	9.35	.....	.....	.....	60.65	358.78
Tabernacle	2600.00	.....	150.00	1675.29	103.00	588.21	201.80	3.00	310.90	5632.20	73.37	.....	50.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	123.37	5755.57
Taylors Grove	75.00	.....	.....	450.00	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	526.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	526.00
Thomasville	2400.00	.....	150.15	239.44	827.66	714.41	50.00	10.00	.....	4391.66	1597.90	82.69	.....	.....	.....	658.19	35.70	.....	143.55	2518.03	6909.69
Wallburg	500.00	.....	.....	.....	154.10	146.00	.....	5.00	.....	805.10	488.55	24.00	71.00	.....	.....	163.35	25.00	95.00	272.00	1138.90	1944.00
Walters Grove	75.00	.....	12.50	.....	.....	9.87	.....	1.00	.....	98.37	10.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	108.37
Welcome	250.00	.....	38.50	231.00	60.00	25.00	.....	2.00	2.00	608.50	160.08	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	18.00	.....	9.00	212.08	820.50
Westfield	125.00	.....	55.00	100.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	5.85	285.85	6.38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6.38	292.23
Totals	14700.10	887.00	1689.95	7229.57	2955.95	3661.88	504.46	93.38	576.29	32290.23	5657.67	977.65	809.25	496.65	632.27	3596.48	499.18	250.41	1050.96	13970.60	49260.83

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Ira Freeman---------- Erlanger, N. C.
John R. Miller---------- Kernersville, N. C.
A. R. Gallimore---------- Missionary to China
John Needham---------- Lexington, N. C.
E. H. Mullis---------- Thomasville, N. C.
Ronald Wall---------- Lexington, N. C.
R. L. West---------- Rileys Store, N. C.
Lee Fox---------- Wallburg, N. C.
C. A. Owens, D. D.---------- Lexington, N. C.
M. L. Kesler, D. D.---------- Thomasville, N. C.
D. P. Morris---------- Norwood, N. C.
H. T. Penry---------- Southmont, N. C.
G. L. Merrell---------- Thomasville, N. C.
J. D. Newton---------- Thomasville, N. C.
J. A. Combs---------- Erlanger, N. C.
W. L. Barrs---------- Rt. 3, Lexington, N. C.
E. F. Mumford---------- Wallburg, N. C.
C. H. Trueblood---------- Thomasville, N. C.
E. W. Byerly---------- Thomasville, N. C.
W. A. Sowers---------- Wallburg, N. C.
H. A. Powell---------- Cid, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

M. L. Kesler---------- Thomasville, N. C.
D. S. Hayworth---------- Rt. 4, High Point, N. C.
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L. E. Teague---------- Thomasville, N. C.
A. S. Miller---------- Denton, N. C.
G. F. Hankins---------- Lexington, N. C.

MINUTE FUND APPORTIONMENT

Abbotts Creek	$5.00
Center Hill	3.00
Churchland	5.00
Denton	5.00
Erlanger	4.00
Gravel Hill	2.00
Holloways	4.00
Jersey	5.00
Lexington	20.00
Liberty	3.00
Lick Creek	3.00
New Friendship	4.00
Oak Hill	2.00
Orphanage	10.00
Reeds	5.00
Rich Fork	4.00
Smith Grove	4.00
Southside	2.00
Westfield	2.00
Stoners Grove	5.00
Summerville	2.50
Taylor's Grove	1.00
Thomasville	10.00
Wallburg	5.00
Walter's Grove	1.00
Welcome	4.00

PROCEEDINGS

Liberty Church, Sept. 22, 1925.

The 92nd session of the Liberty Baptist Association convened with the church at Liberty on Tuesday, September 22, 1925. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. E. N. Gardner, of the Orphanage church. Moderator Archibald Johnson called the body to order and the following messengers enrolled:

Abbotts Creek—D. S. Hayworth, W. D. Spurgeon, J. P. Traynham, J. R. Phillips, Miss Minnie Hayworth, N. R. Teague, Chas. Davis, Mrs. C. W. Davis, Mrs. Minnie Spurgeon.

Center Hill—A. V. Miller, D. L. Tysinger, Wade Jarrett, Miss Crissie Smith, Annie Owens, S. E. Jarrett.

Churchland—A. C. Kesler, R. K. Williams, W. A. Beeker, W. H. Lomax.

Denton—Dr. E. C. Cliatt, A. L. Snider, A. S. Miller, Mrs. A. S. Miller, Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. H. D. Smith.

Gravel Hill—Homer Skeen, James Morris, J. O. Vuncannon, E. J. Elliott, E. M. Russell.

Holloways—E. O. Styers, Gaither Bean, D. R. Beanblossom.

Jersey—J. T. Clark, R. L. Palmer, Marvin Tate, W. L. Smith.

Lexington—Dr. C. A. Owens, G. W. Miller, C. M. Wall, Mrs. S. J. Smith, Mrs D. F. Conrad, Mrs. B. F. Lee, H. C. Myers, Mrs. J. F. Landis, S. G. Hasty, C. L. Lopp, Sam J. Smith, Mrs. D. F. Osborne.

Liberty—H. P. May, T. G. Kindley, C. O. Hepler, O. F. Hughes, J. A. Hepler.

Lick Creek—W. S. Carrick, James Cross, V. K. Skeen, P. M. Snider, J. A. Kinney.

New Friendship—E. L. Snyder, C. F. Motsinger, D. C. Swaim.

Oak Hill—S. M. Ferguson, Hattie Royals, J. L. Welborne, M. F. Underwood.

Orphanage—B. F. Crutchfield, W. A. Pruitt, Miss Sallie L. McCracken, Clara Ducker.

Reeds—J. F. Foster, J. R. Craver, J. C. Leonard, C. H. Fritts.

Rich Fork—T. H. Small, Stimp Everhart, Mack Eddinger, Thos. Everhart, G. T. Everhart, Robert Bowers.

Southside—Rev. E. W. Byerly, Mrs. E. W. Byerly, Worth Hegler, Kate Hegler, J. A. Simpson, Catharine Basinger, Mrs. M. L. Russell, Mrs. May Cratze.

Smith Grove—W. H. Smith, Mrs. W. H. Smith, J. E. Lassiter, Mrs. J. E. Lassiter, Carl Young, Miss Mollie Grubb, Gray Smith, Mrs. Gray Smith.

Summerville—Mrs. G .E. Tysinger, Timp Bean, Frank Shipton.

Tabernacle (Erlanger)—R. L. Corbin, Mrs. R. L. Corbin, Mrs. B. L. Hames, E. L. Strickland, E. C. Hayes, Mrs. Ira Freeman.

Taylors Grove—A. H. Michael, Ira Bailey, Richard West.

Thomasville—E. L. Hepler, Mrs. Monroe Bean, Mrs. R. S. Green, Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, W. G. Fitzgerald, L. E. Teague, Mrs. Archibald Johnson, Miss Lois Johnson, Mrs. T. H. Tomlinson, C. M. Howell, Rev. C. H. Trueblood, Mrs. Rhoda Daniel, Mrs. E. L. Hepler, Mrs. J. D. Stinson, Mrs. C. M. Howell, Mrs. A. C. Burgess, Mrs. J. D. Newton, J. D. Newton, Archibald Johnson.

Wallburg—C. C. Smith, E. E. Jenkins, G. W. Wall, J. W. Tuttle.

Walters Grove—J. T. Pierce, G. B. Pierce, Walter Grubb.

Welcome—W. S. Disher, E. S. Craver, J. F. Crotts, E. J. Zimmerman, M. L. Craver.

Westfield—G. W. Summey, C. T. Hughes, J. W. Jester.

Stoners Grove—S. E. Wafford, J. D. Lookabill, F. J. Wrenn.

The Association then elected officers by acclamation as follows: Archibald Johnson, moderator; E. N. Gardner, vice moderator; Sam J. Smith, clerk and treasurer.

Under miscellaneous business the following committees were appointed by the moderator:

On program: E. N. Gardner, G. W. Miller and H. T. Penry.

On finance: L. E. Teague and Noah Teague.

VISITORS

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body: Livingston Johnson, Editor of the Biblical Recorder; Walter M. Gilmore, of the State Mission Board, Ben LeFever, of Pritchard Memorial Church, Charlotte, N. C., and J. L. Shinn, of the Brushy Mountain Association.

NEW PASTORS IN THE ASSOCIATION

E. N. Gardner, pastor of the Orphanage church; J. R. Miller, pastor of New Friendship; Ira Freeman, pastor of Tabernacle, Erlanger; O. T. Barnes, pastor of Oak Hill, and L. A. Connell, pastor on the Denton field, were recognized as new pastors in the association.

BIBLICAL RECORDER

The following report on the Biblical Recorder was read by W. L. Barrs:

The Biblical Recorder was first printed by Thomas Meredith ninety-one years ago. Since then it has served as organ of the Baptists of North Carolina. It contains the best thoughts of the best thinkers among our people. It is set for the constructive effort of our people in obeying the command of the Master to carry the Gospel to all the world. It is published in the interest of our Baptist work, and at the expense of the stockholders—for the past four years the paper has been a liability. The Recorder promotes the things that shall win. It seeks to aid in bringing in the certain reign of Christ. The readers of the Recorder are its best asset, and, in North Carolina, the Kingdom's best friends.

The best is none too good for our North Carolina Baptist homes. The future homes depend on the Christian culture of the homes of this generation.

People are largely influenced by what they read. Read the best, and the best things do, and the God of the best will reserve the best for you.

The price is only $2.00 per year.

Let's increase the circulation from 16,000 to 25,000.

W. L. BARRS

The report was discussed by Bro. Livingston Johnson and was adopted.

The program committee appointed by the moderator recommended the following order of business for the association, which was adopted:

TUESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 22

10:00 Devotional Exercises—E. N. Gardner.
10:20 Organization.
10:30 Biblical Recorder.
11:00 Sermon—C. A. Owens, D. D.

AFTERNOON SESSION

1:30 State Missions.
3:15 Ministerial Relief.
3:45 Appointment of Committees.
4:00 Adjournment.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

9:30 Devotional Exercises—H. T. Penry.
9:45 Woman's Work.
10:30 Foreign Missions.
11:00 Orphanage.
11:30 Baptist Hospital.
12:00 Christian Education.

AFTERNOON

2:00 Report of Executive Committee.
2:30 State of Churches.
3:00 Home Missions.
3:30 Sunday Schools.
4:00 B. Y. P. U.
4:30 Miscellaneous Business.

ANNUAL SERMON

The annual sermon was preached by Dr. C. A. Owens, pastor of the First church, Lexington, from Matthew 26th chapter, 39th verse; the subject of the sermon being "Jesus Going a Little Further."

The association adjourned till 1:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Prayer by Ira Freeman, of Erlanger, N. C.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator:

To nominate executive committee: G. W. Miller,, C. H. Trueblood and Dr. C. A. Owens.

On time, place and preacher for next session: John R. Miller, L. A. Smith and C. H. Teague.

STATE MISSIONS

The following report on State Missions was read by E. N. Gardner.

World-wide was the vision of Jesus. World-wide was the commission enjoined upon His disciples. World-wide must be all adequate efforts undertaken by His people today. Such a conception must pervade every phase of Christian activity, transforming all selfish schemes into self-denying service, and reaching out as far as its influence may be extended. Only in so far as it measures up to this inclusive program does Christianity embrace the outlook of its founder.

State missions seek to carry out this universal plan of salvation by standing, on the one hand, as the connecting link between the churches and the associations of the state, and on the other, between the churches and the general denominational work promoted by the mission boards. They serve to extend and develop the home base, that it may become a more power-

ful supply of knowledge and intelligent missionary earnestness. Many features—in fact, everything which tends to promote the cause of Christ within the state legitimately may be considered a part of state missions. In North Carolina the growing, heart-stirring reports of Christian education, the Baptist hospital, and the orphanage receive separate attention in the associational minutes, and therefore need only to be mentioned here.

At the bottom of all endeavor is the business of winning North Carolina to Christ. Evangelism therefore always has received much deserved attention. To supplement the labors of local pastors the state mission board employs three evangelists, paying part of their salary, while the other part is raised by the department of evangelism itself. During the last year this department reported nearly 1,500 professed conversions and 3,385 additions to the churches, 259 volunteers for Christian service, 543 family altars established, and 590 promises to tithe—results that rejoice the heart of every Christian.

The business of saving North Carolina does not stop, however, with the profession of faith in Christ. The state mission board is so tremendously concerned with the development of Baptists in the knowledge and service of the Savior that it supports a department of enlistment and stewardship, which sends throughout the state representatives who will teach this part of Christ's program, and which sets forth through the columns of the religious press the need, duty and privilege of a recognition of stewardship.

The work of the Sunday School, W. M. U. and B. Y. P. U. is too well known to demand extensive discussion here. Suffice it to say that with the phenomenal growth in numbers and efficiency each year North Carolina Baptists have much for which to thank God. All three of these departments form parts of state mission activity, and their secretaries and field workers are supported from the contributions allocated to stated missions. For the furtherance of the individual church growth the state mission board, recognizing the inadequacy of hundreds of houses of worship in North Carolina, sets apart $15,000 per annum, designated as a church building fund, to be used in the most needy places.

Through this work of evangelism and enlistment and its manifold activities North Carolina Baptists are endeavoring to make the "Old North State" more than nominally Christian. Until the individual regenerated life weaves itself into the fabric of society, it has failed to reproduce in its entirety the program of Christ. Not until Christian principles pervade the economic, social and political life of the state will the work of state missions end. That will be only when Christ returns.

Thanking God for the demonstration of His Spirit in much of the work of the past year, we of the Liberty Association pledge anew our lives to Him, and recommend to the local churches:

1. That we support whole-heartedly the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists by which in North Carolina 50 per cent of contributions, exclusive of those donated to the orphanage, is allocated to work in the state, including 20 per cent which will go to the work of the state mission board.

2. That we express confidence in those who are our appointed Christian leaders in North Carolina, and pledge our love and prayers to the state mission workers as they go forward in

the work of the new year.

Signed: E. NORFLEET GARDNER
S .E. WARFFORD Committee.

State Missions were discussed by Walter M. Gilmore and the report was adopted.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

The following report on Ministerial Relief was read by J. D. Newton:

On May 1st, 1925, the report of the Relief and Annunity Board closed for the Southern Baptist Convention Year. It was one of the fairly good years in the Board's history since taking over this work six years ago, notwithstanding the fact that there has been a great financial depression.

The relief beneficiaries received during the year $127,-021.35; the beneficiaries of the Annunity Fund received $10,-103.58, making a total of $137,124.93, which is more than the Board has paid out inb enefits in any one year.

The Board repeated itself last December in sending out Christmas checks to beneficiaries, the amounts ranging from $5.00 to $10.00, according to the circumstances. The Board hopes to make this an annual habit.

The Board is now carrying on its roll 1,086 beneficiaries; of whom 600 are aged ministers, 386 widows and about 100 orphan children.

It is also rendering aid to states which are wholly unable to provide for their retired preachers. It is spending thousands of dollars annually in this specific kind of aid. There was but little hope for a large class of dependent preachers until the Relief and Annunity Board was organized.

For Ministerial Relief work this Board needs $100,000.00 each year besides what it will get from the regular budget. This is the one outstanding need of our Board and should be attended to at once. It will take this amount each year before the Board can do the work it should do. We must continue to lay particular stress on this important need.

We would suggest that more of our ministers join the Annuity or Contributory Pension Department of the Board. More than 1,400 men and women are now enrolled as active certificate-holders of this fund. Thirty-one names are upon the roll of those drawing annuities. This department should be investigated by all of our ministers who have not done so. Dr. William Lunsford, Secretary Relief and Annuity Board, Dallas, Texas, will be glad to furnish any information desired.

Every minister knows, of course, that sooner or later, if he lives, he will have to retire to private life. The situation should be so that he would not be the humiliated object of charity, and that in the last days of his life here on earth he would no htave to eke out a bare existence. The Ministerial Relief and Annuity Board is trying to bring about just such a situation in our Southern Baptist Ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
J. R. PROCTOR

The report was discussed by J. D. Newton and E. F. Mumford and was adopted.

REPORTS FOR NEXT SESSION

The moderator appointed the following brethren to prepare reports for the next session:

Biblical Recorder—E. F. Mumford, C. M. Howell.
Women's Work—E. N. Gardner, Mrs. R. S. Green.
Orphanage—H. E. Olive, P. M. Snider.
State of Churches—H. T. Penry, E. W. Byerly.
Sunday Schools—W. L. Barrs, W. G. Fitzgerald.
Home Missions—Ira Freeman, W. D. Spurgeon.
Foreign Missions—John R. Miller, B. F. Crutchfield.
Ministerial Relief—G. F. Hankins, C. M. Wall.
B. Y. P. U.—Edwin Lanier.
Baptist Hospital—J. E. Hobgood, W. L. Barrs.
Christian Education—S. G. Hasty, P. C. Newton.
State Missions—L .A. Connell, G. W. Miller.

On motion the association adjourned to meet again at 7:30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION

John R. Miller, pastor of New Friendship church, preached a very able sermon from First Kings 17:13, his subject being "God Equal to His Demands."

WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 23

Devotional services were conducted by E. F. Mumford, of Wallburg.

WOMEN'S WORK

The following report on Women's Work was read by Mrs. R. S. Green:

The W. M.U. of the Liberty Association met in their annual session at Reeds church on August 18th.

With perhaps one exception each organization had one or more delegates present. The presence of Miss Mary Warren, our state corresponding secretary, and her fine address gave an impetus to the meeting and we believe will bear fruit in a greater interest and more prayerful spirit. Many good and helpful talks and papers were given by different members of our union and the meeting was a very helpful one.

While there has been a slight falling off since last year in amount of contributions this can easily be accounted for in the new plan of giving credits in the 1925 program.

During the period of the campaign the gifts to missions of all the women and children of the churches were credited to the W. M. S. In the present program only the gifts of members of the societies are credited to them. This being the case, the slight difference in amounts given last year and this would indicate a gain rather than loss. The amounts given to the unified program and designated missions for the year are as follows:

From the W. M. S., $3,274.96—other objects, $533.20. Total $3,807.16.

From the Junior societies, $211.27.

The total gifts from all the organizations for all objects amounted to $4,018.43.

The discouraging feature in our report is that we have so little to report in new organizations. Two societies were organized last fall, but were short-lived for lack of leaders. The one at Erlanger has recently been re-organized and under the leadership of the wife of the new pastor we are expecting that they will render a good account.

Much work has been done along the line of personal service and a number of mission study classes have been reported.

The one great outstanding need in all the churches seems to be for leaders. Again we call on the pastors of our association for help in enlistin gand organizing the women of our churches.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. R. S. GREEN,
Superintendent of Women's Work.

The report was discussed by Mrs. R. S. Green, E. F. Mumford and E. L. Middleton and was adopted.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The following report was read by Rev. C. H. Trueblood:

Foreign Missions still occupy the place of supreme importance in the consciousness of the church of Jesus Christ. Notwithstanding the indifference of some and the opposition of others, the church is coostantly enlarging its work in foreign lands.

God has blessed our work abroad. Last year was a triumphant year. The fact that our missionaries baptized 12,134 people into the membership of our churches on our foreign mission fields is an achievement which should set our hearts a-glow with joy.

On the Foreign Mission fields, we have 1,101 churches, 291 of which are self-supporting. The total membership is 117,923. Their contributions last year amounted to $391,841, or about $3.32 per member. More than half own their own houses of worship. 84,511 scholars were instructed in our 1,573 Sunday schools. We now have 539 missionaries under appointment and 1,866 native workers are employed. The Board owns 146 residences which are used by the missionaries. We are operating on the foreign field, 846 schools and colleges; in these schools there are 32,124 pupils receiving instruction and training. Of these, 411 are theological students, who are being trained for special religious work. We have now 26 foreign physicians and 10 foreign nurses aided by 15 native physicians and 73 native nurses. This corps of medical workers through the instrumentaliyt of our 16 hospitals and other medical equipment, gave last year 279,201 treatments. Thus we see, according to these statistics, that our Foreign Mission Board is rendering a wonderful service, and making a marvelous record in its ministry to the body, mind and soul, of those who sit in heathen darkness.

But it makes us sad to be forced to turn from such triumphs as these to call attention to the embarrassment our Foreign Mission Board is now experiencing on account of the failure of the churches to support it properly.

The Board reported to the last Southern Baptist Convention a debt of $1,250,000. This debt came through no extravagance on the part of the Board. In fact the Board has been cutting its appropriations severely for the last three years, and is now holding back more than 100 volunteers who are ready to go to the front. It has also denied for two years any additional equipment to the missionaries. This debt has been growing simply because our Baptist people are not giving adequately.

In view of the foregoing, there comes to us some imperative considerations:

1. The demand comes for increased information. Our women have realized this and with splendid persistence are giving to the study of missions a prominent place on their pro-

gram. They are setting an example, in this, which our men are all too slow in following. While our women are becoming better informed, and hence more active and enthusiastic, our men, in the majority, are woefully ignorant and desperately indifferent. No man or woman can, in the highest sense, be regarded as educated who is ignorant of one of the most striking historical movements of modern times.

2. It is also imperative that we reconstruct our motives. Arguments for missions are after all unnecessary. There is only one argument. The Great Commission might be spoken of as the Great Program. Only one great motive is worthy of our Master, and that is Loyalty to Him. Not to do it for reasons which are more or less sectarian or selfish, but because He loved us and gave Himself for us. The Incarnation, the Atonement, the Resurrection, should be to us a sufficient motive for all necessary zeal and activity.

3. How may we best serve and honor our Great Master in carrying out His great program for world redemption? What is the remedy for the present distressing situation? The simple remedy is for the churches to put on the 1925-26 program. Let every church in the Liberty Association, and in the whole southland, make the Every Member Canvass, and support the great program including all the interests fostered by Southern Baptists and our Foreign Mission Board will be cared for along with all the others.

Respectfully submitted,
C. HERMAN TRUEBLOOD

The report was discussed by C. H. Trueblood and Dr. C. A. Owens and was adopted.

ORPHANAGE

The following report was read by H. R. Kyser:

Time will not permit a detailed report on our marvelous institution and the high spots only can be touched. The fortieth annual report of the Orphanage goes into detail very fully, is very interesting, encouraging and inspiring. It shows a strong, steady and healthy growth, has been maintained through forty years, and approximately 3,000 have felt the kind touch of this great helping hand.

A gain of 56 in the institution, and 74 in Mothers' Aid care has been made since your last report. There are at present 606 children being cared for in the institution, including the 110 at the Kennedy Home; 386 are at present being aided in their homes with their 84 mothers, making a total of approximately 1,000 in all. Seven cottages have recently been equipped with dining rooms and kitchens, thus completing this system for the entire Orphanage. Every cottage is now a complete home within itself, approaching the normal home as nearly as possible.

From the territory comprising this association, 28 children are being cared for at the Orphanage, and 19 are receiving care through the Mothers' Aid—an increase of 4 in each department since last year—at an expense of $9,100.00, which is an increase in annual expenses of $1,900.00. The association should not feel proud of the Orphanage for this reason, for we are receiving this benefit, which is approximately three times as great as our collections and contributions for Orphanage support. We are thereby depending upon the other counties of the State to assist us in caring for our helpless children. This fact alone should be a stimulus to every individual, Sun-

day School and church in the association to follow the recommendations heretofore made and make our collections and contributions larger, so that our account will at least balance, and we will not feel like we are getting "something for nothing." We know an institution of this kind and size is not intended to be self-supporting and is dependent upon our collections and contributions for its support. An additional reason why our contributions should be larger this year is that the support from the regular collections has fallen below the previous year and the treasurer has been compelled to borrow money to meet current expenses. Then, too, this year we may expect a falling off in collections and contributions from the West, as the worst drought experienced during the existence of the Orphanage has practically ruined the crops and caused considerable loss. In the East, the outlook is more promising as the crops are in good condition and the prices improving.

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Biblical Recorder—E. F. Mumford, C. M. Howell.
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Orphanage—H. E. Olive, P. M. Snider.
State of Churches—H. T. Penry, E. W. Byerly.
Sunday Schools—W. L. Barrs, W. G. Fitzgerald.
Home Missions—Ira Freeman, W. D. Spurgeon.
Foreign Missions—John R. Miller, B. F. Crutchfield.
Ministerial Relief—G. F. Hankins, C. M. Wall.
B. Y. P. U.—Edwin Lanier.
Baptist Hospital—J. E. Hobgood, W. L. Barrs.
Christian Education—S. G. Hasty, P. C. Newton.
State Missions—L .A. Connell, G. W. Miller.

On motion the association adjourned to meet again at 7:30 P. M.

EVENING SESSION

John R. Miller, pastor of New Friendship church, preached a very able sermon from First Kings 17:13, his subject being "God Equal to His Demands."

WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 23

Devotional services were conducted by E. F. Mumford, of Wallburg.

WOMEN'S WORK

The following report on Women's Work was read by Mrs. R. S. Green:

The W. M.U. of the Liberty Association met in their annual session at Reeds church on August 18th.

With perhaps one exception each organization had one or more delegates present. The presence of Miss Mary Warren, our state corresponding secretary, and her fine address gave an impetus to the meeting and we believe will bear fruit in a greater interest and more prayerful spirit. Many good and helpful talks and papers were given by different members of our union and the meeting was a very helpful one.

While there has been a slight falling off since last year in amount of contributions this can easily be accounted for in the new plan of giving credits in the 1925 program.

During the period of the campaign the gifts to missions of all the women and children of the churches were credited to the W. M. S. In the present program only the gifts of members of the societies are credited to them. This being the case, the slight difference in amounts given last year and this would indicate a gain rather than loss. The amounts given to the unified program and designated missions for the year are as follows:

From the W. M. S., $3,274.96—other objects, $533.20. Total $3,807.16.

From the Junior societies, $211.27.

The total gifts from all the organizations for all objects amounted to $4,018.43.

The discouraging feature in our report is that we have so little to report in new organizations. Two societies were organized last fall, but were short-lived for lack of leaders. The one at Erlanger has recently been re-organized and under the leadership of the wife of the new pastor we are expecting that they will render a good account.

Much work has been done along the line of personal service and a number of mission study classes have been reported.

The one great outstanding need in all the churches seems to be for leaders. Again we call on the pastors of our association for help in enlistin gand organizing the women of our churches.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. R. S. GREEN,
Superintendent of Women's Work.

The report was discussed by Mrs. R. S. Green, E. F. Mumford and E. L. Middleton and was adopted.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The following report was read by Rev. C. H. Trueblood:

Foreign Missions still occupy the place of supreme importance in the consciousness of the church of Jesus Christ. Notwithstanding the indifference of some and the opposition of others, the church is coostantly enlarging its work in foreign lands.

God has blessed our work abroad. Last year was a triumphant year. The fact that our missionaries baptized 12,134 people into the membership of our churches on our foreign mission fields is an achievement which should set our hearts a-[illegible] with joy.

On the Foreign Mission fields, we have 1,101 churches, 291 of which are self-supporting. The total membership is 117,923. Their contributions last year amounted to $391,841, or about $3.32 per member. More than half own their own houses of worship. 84,511 scholars were instructed in our 1,573 Sunday schools. We now have 539 missionaries under appointment and 1,866 native workers are employed. The Board owns 146 residences which are used by the missionaries. We are operating on the foreign field, 846 schools and colleges; in these schools there are 32,124 pupils receiving instruction and training. Of these, 411 are theological students, who are being trained for special religious work. We have now 26 foreign physicians and 10 foreign nurses aided by 15 native physicians and 73 native nurses. This corps of medical workers through the instrumentaliyt of our 16 hospitals and other medical equipment, gave last year 279,201 treatments. Thus we see, according to these statistics, that our Foreign Mission Board is rendering a wonderful service, and making a marvelous record in its ministry to the body, mind and soul, of those who sit in heathen darkness.

But it makes us sad to be forced to turn from such triumphs as these to call attention to the embarrassment our Foreign Mission Board is now experiencing on account of the failure of the churches to support it properly.

The Board reported to the last Southern Baptist Convention a debt of $1,250,000. This debt came through no extravagance on the part of the Board. In fact the Board has been cutting its appropriations severely for the last three years, and is now holding back more than 100 volunteers who are ready to go to the front. It has also denied for two years any additional equipment to the missionaries. This debt has been growing simply because our Baptist people are not giving adequately.

In view of the foregoing, there comes to us some imperative considerations:

1. The demand comes for increased information. Our women have realized this and with splendid persistence are giving to the study of missions a prominent place on their pro-

gram. They are setting an example, in this, which our men are all too slow in following. While our women are becoming better informed, and hence more active and enthusiastic, our men, in the majority, are woefully ignorant and desperately indifferent. No man or woman can, in the highest sense, be regarded as educated who is ignorant of one of the most striking historical movements of modern times.

2. It is also imperative that we reconstruct our motives. Arguments for missions are after all unnecessary. There is only one argument. The Great Commission might be spoken of as the Great Program. Only one great motive is worthy of our Master, and that is Loyalty to Him. Not to do it for reasons which are more or less sectarian or selfish, but because He loved us and gave Himself for us. The Incarnation, the Atonement, the Resurrection, should be to us a sufficient motive for all necessary zeal and activity.

3. How may we best serve and honor our Great Master in carrying out His great program for world redemption? What is the remedy for the present distressing situation? The simple remedy is for the churches to put on the 1925-26 program. Let every church in the Liberty Association, and in the whole southland, make the Every Member Canvass, and support the great program including all the interests fostered by Southern Baptists and our Foreign Mission Board will be cared for along with all the others.

Respectfully submitted,
C. HERMAN TRUEBLOOD

The report was discussed by C. H. Trueblood and Dr. C. A. Owens and was adopted.

ORPHANAGE

The following report was read by H. R. Kyser:

Time will not permit a detailed report on our marvelous institution and the high spots only can be touched. The fortieth annual report of the Orphanage goes into detail very fully, is very interesting, encouraging and inspiring. It shows a strong, steady and healthy growth, has been maintained through forty years, and approximately 3,000 have felt the kind touch of this great helping hand.

A gain of 56 in the institution, and 74 in Mothers' Aid care has been made since your last report. There are at present 606 children being cared for in the institution, including the 110 at the Kennedy Home; 386 are at present being aided in their homes with their 84 mothers, making a total of approximately 1,000 in all. Seven cottages have recently been equipped with dining rooms and kitchens, thus completing this system for the entire Orphanage. Every cottage is now a complete home within itself, approaching the normal home as nearly as possible.

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the founders of that institution.

The hospital is scarcely two years old, and yet from June 30th, 1924 to June 30th, 1925, there were over sixteen hundred (1,600) patients in this hospital, gathered from every quarter of this state, from the extreme East and extreme West.

Out of these sixteen hundred patients there has been lost by death only twenty-four, which means a percentage of one and one half (1 1-2), of our patients who have been treated in this hospital, and is by far the lowest percentage in North Carolina, testifying to the wonderful and exceptional management that has been placed at its head.

This institution has been established by our denomination particularly to take care of the great number of patients of our denomination who are unable to receive such treatment otherwise, and saving to our civilization and to our denomination the future of many hundreds who otherwise could not be saved.

The strong appeal to our denomination for support of this institution would have its foundation and its basis upon one of the cardinal principles of our Master—that the strong should support the weak, and the further appeal to our people is the joy and gratification that comes to those who have been instrumental in extending such help.

The cost of maintaining this instiution to our denomination is insignificant, if it were paid for upon a per capita basis, as the average cost for the patients treated so far has not been over $40.00, and the per capita requirement for the support of this institution from our denomination would be less than ten cents (10c) to each member of the white Baptists of North Carolina, and it does appear to be an insignificant sum when compared to the great work and the wonderful future that is before it.

Like all new undertakings and work of our denomination this institution has not had the thought which should have been given to it, and I would like to see the Baptists appropriate from each Sunday School and church in the state a liberal offering at least once a year, and recommend that this association re-emphasize its request that our Sunday Schools and churches do this.

Respectfully submitted,

G. F. HANKINS

The report was discussed by John R. Miller, W. L. Barrs, C. M. Wall, Livingston Johnson, E. F. Mumford, Archibald Johnson and G. W. Miller and was adopted.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

No report was prepared on this subject, but Dr. A. C. Reid, professor of Psychology at Wake Forest College, in what was perhaps the most interesting address of the association, very ably defended Christian Education and the Wake Forest faculty.

On motion the association adjourned till 2:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Devotional services were conducted by L. A. Connell.

The committee heretofore appointed to nominate an executive committee made the following report:

Your committee to nominate Executive Committee beg leave to submit the names of the following:

M. L. Kesler, C. M. Wall, D. S. Hayworth, A. S. Miller, L. E. Teague and G. F. Hankins.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND STATE OF THE CHURCHES

The following report on the State of the Churches was read by C. M. Wall, and the report of the Executive Committee was ready by the clerk:

Your committee has received reports from practically all the churches in Liberty Association. Analyzing these reports we find room for great improvement.

We now have one more resident pastor than last year. This gives us nine well equipped men, who are giving all of their time to their churches. Doubtless never in the history of the Association have we had as able and well equipped ministers as we have today. We are greatly encouraged with the grouping of our churches, which enables the pastor to live in the midst of his people. There will probably be fields divided and the once-a-month preaching will be changed to twice a month or more.

The Sunday Schools have made rapid progress. We have enrolled practically 4,000 members. Most of the new members coming into our churches have come through our Sunday Schools. We have several A-1 Sunday Schools in the Association. Let us strive to make all of our Sunday Schools A-1 before the meeting of our next Association.

We wish to commend the great work that is being done by the W. M. U. and the B. Y. P. U. They are co-operating with the church and Sunday School in pushing forward the Kingdom of God.

From the information at hand we find that almost all of our churches make an offering to the Orphanage on Thanksgiving Day. We should earnestly try to come up one hundred per cent in this blessed work.

It is good to note that the majority of our churches are trying to improve their places of worship. Thereby strengthening their forces for better and greater service. They are building new houses, adding Sunday School rooms, installing organs, pianos, etc.

Some facts gathered from reports received from various churches:

Members Enrolled in

	1925	1924
Total Baptisms	265	386
Pastor's Salary	$17,044.50	$14,375.27
Denominational Objects Including B. Y. P. U.	$13,253.51	$16,281.14
Sunday School	3729	

Respectfully submitted,
C. M. WALL

This report must be meager for the reason that the Chairman of the Committee has been too much absorbed in other things to give the mission work in the Association the attention it deserves. We are pleased to report that some of the churches have come off the Board. This refers especially to Brother Penry's field. We believe this should become our policy with all long established churches, and concentrate our efforts on places of rapidly growing population that cannot be handled by the local membership.

The following fields have been aided. The Denton field has been aided with the purpose of strengthening that part of the Association. Brother Hough has done a good work. We

regret his leaving the field, but welcome the new pastor, Brother Connell. The field occupied by Brother Barrs, consisting of Welcome, Center Hill, Reeds and Rich Fork, has been aided. This field has been stimulated. Rich Fork is building an up-to-date church home. Erlanger is one of the most important centers of population, being aided. The new pastor, Brother Freeman, will find a warm welcome in our midst. Southside, Thomasville, is responding to the assistance given. Under the leadership of Brother Byerly, they have secured a new site and are planning to build at an early date.

On account of the school at Wallburg aid has been given that church. Brother Mumford has rendered exceptionally fine service in our association, which deserves special mention.

We would suggest that the missionaries give brief verbal reports of their work to the Association.

M. L. KESLER, For Committee.

These reports were discusse dby O. F. Barnes, L. A. Connell, W. L. Barrs, E. F. Mumford, J. R. Miller, E.W. Byerly, C. A. Owen, C. H. Trueblood, Ira Freeman and H. T. Penry and were adopted.

HOME MISSIONS

The following report was read by G. W. Miller:

The Home Mission Board presented its eightieth annual report to the Southern Baptist Convention last May in Memphis, Tennessee. Eighty years of service by this board since its organization in 1845 constitute a real romance in Home Missions. Through many vicissitudes and steady and unvarying purpose for the salvation of the lost and the up-building of the Kingdom in our Southland, the Home Mission Board presents an unbroken history of fidelity and spiritual conquest.

It has been for Southern Baptists the one great constructive, co-operative and unifying agency. It has been the foster-mother of our weaker enterprises, the founder and support of thousands of our churches and the forerunner of most all our State Conventions and a stimulating factor in their organization and progress.

The Board in its report presented a significant comparison as follows:

	Money Raised	Missionaries	Stations	Baptisms	Churches Organized
1845-1903	$ 3,5020,000.00	10,586	39,973	82,742	3,649
1903-1924	13,731,965.99	27,468	72,829	642,492	4,524

For the last twenty-five years the advance in Home Missions has been at times remarkable and always continuous and healthy. It reached its highest point in 1920, the first year of the 75-Million Campaign. Since that time, dut to various causes but chiefly to the falling off in receipts, the Board has made severe and drastic retrenchment in many phases of its work. In some instances such severe retrenchment has brought the work to the verge of calamity. The Board has had to stand still in the face of countless calls and unwonted opportunities. Fields ripe for the harvest have cried out for the sickle of the reaper and the Board has not been able to thrust laborers sufficient into harvest fields to garner the grain.

At the recent annual meeting in June, on account of the heavy and burdensome debt, the Board had to still further retrench. Enlargement on the contrary is called for in every direction:

First. In an increase of forces; second, in better equip-

ment.

The Board has need for at least fifty capable young women and as many men in the field at home and a half dozen young women for Cuba.

In equipment the needs are even greater. For school buildings in El Paso, Texas, and Havana, Cuba; the enlargement and better equipment of our thirty mountain schools; at least fifty chapels in the homeland and Cuba and Panama. The greatest need of the Board just now is a mighty increase in financial receipts to life the heavy burden of debt and prepare for the recovery of lost ground and to enter new fields that are white unto harvest.

Notwithstanding the retrenchments made, the Board presents a year of wonderful results:

With 1,077 missionaries, they report 49,218 churches and stations occupied; 2,381 sermons and addresses; 30,354 additions by baptism; 4,896 by letter; total additions, 50,354; 210 churches constituted; 355 church houses built or improved; 608 Sunday schools organized; distributed 12,995 Bibles and Testaments.

The Home Mission field was never so great and urgent as now. To save our own land is a condition of saving the lost in distant lands. Home Missions furnish the great base of supplies for the work at home and afar.

Let's remember the Board and all its work in our prayers and come with greater liberality in our gifts!

H. E. OLIVE,
G. W. MILLER, Committee.

The report was discussed by G. W. Miller and was adopted.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The following report was read by L. E. Teague.

The Sunday School should be the livest organization in the church, for through its influence and work, we gather and build, the greater part of our church membership. Statistics show that seventy-five or eighty per cent of our church membership comes through the Sunday School. Twelve out of the fourteen baptized in our church in Thomasville the past year came through the Sunday School. And I dare say, that I believe if you will investigate and examine the different letters to the association you will find this pretty much prevalent, not only in our own churches of the Liberty association, but throughout the churches of the different associations of our state and nation. Wherever you find a wide awake church, up and doing something for the cause of Christ, if you will investigate, I believe you will find there existing a live Sunday School.

The Sunday School Superintendent should be a good consecrated person with a progressive spirit. I fear that this is a great hindrance in lots of our Sunday schools today. We do not make wise selection of our Superintendents. We need men and women at the head of our Sunday Schools who believe in doing great things for the Master's cause as we go along.

The Teachers should be good consecrated trained teachers. We need to stress the teacher training course in our churches today more and more, for out of these we are able to select for our teachers those who are best prepared to do the most effective work. The most effective teacher is the one that lives close to God and lives lives of influence in their community. The good consecrated trained teacher will be able to

lead the child as it reaches the age of accountability to see the light of the Bible and thereby accept Christ as their Savior.

The Sunday School work should be felt by every member of the individual church as a part of their individual task of the church work. I fear that there are too many of our church members today too ready to shift this responsibility onto some other fellow's shoulders and not take it as a part of their church obligations. The Sunday School is a challenge to every church member to get behind it and make it a success for Christ.

In building our churches we should make provision for our Sunday Schools. It is almost as important, as we build our churches, to put money into the preparation for the Sunday School as it is any part of the church. The teacher who does not have an individual class room cannot do as effective work as those who do have these rooms.

So let us each and every one who hold membership in the different churches of the Liberty Association go back to our homes with a greater determined resolution to make our Sunday Schools a success for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. TEAGUE

The report was discussed by E. L. Middleton and was adopted.

B. Y. P. U.

The following report was read by Prevette Westmoreland:

The Baptist Young People's Union work has within the past few years become world-wide in its scope. One of the youngest of the organizations in a Baptist church has, within an almost incredibly short period of time become one of the most important. Everywhere our people are coming to realize that on this organization, rather than any other, rests the future of our Baptist churches and our denomination. Even to the mission fields has this organization spread. During the past year the B. Y. P. U. has become well established in South America, China and Japan.

In our Southern Baptist churches the B. Y. P. U. has become one of the greatest agencies for assisting in carrying out our denominational programs. Our mission boards and workers are coming to depend more and more on the young people, and thus has been developed a new source of strength within the churches.

In our state there are now approximately 1,500 unions, an increase of 150 over last year. We have three workers who give their full time to the work, besides many volunteers who give part of their time. The state-wide Convention held in Salisbury in June of this year was perhaps the best ever conducted, both in regard to the number of delegates attending, and the work accomplished.

On April 5th of this year representatives of the different churches and unions met in the First Baptist church, of Thomasville, and organized an associational B. Y. P. U. A list of the officers selected is attached to this report. Since that time this associational union has been actively functioning and has held three splendid group conventions. The officers have visited many different unions and done much to encourage them in the work. Many demonstration programs have been given by the various unions and three new unions have been organized as a direct result of these efforts.

There are now in the Liberty Association 30 B. Y. P. U.'s with a total enrollment of 670 persons. These unions are constantly growing in grace, knowledge, enthusiasm and efficiency and, God willing, our association will soon take its place as one of the strongest in the state for B. Y. P. U. work.

Respectfully submitted,
PREVETTE WESTMORELAND
President Associational B. Y. P. U.

Officers of Liberty Baptist B. Y. P. U. Association

President _____ Mr. Prevette Westmoreland, Thomasville
Vice President _____ Miss Ruth Mock, Wallburg
Vice President _____ Mr. Coit Jones, Lexington
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Secretary and Treasurer _____ Miss Agnes Carrick, Lexington
Junior Leader _____ Mrs. Fred Wilson, Lexington
Intermediate Leader _____ Mr. A. L. Snyder, Denton
Chorister _____ Mr. L. W. Hansel, Thomasville
Pianists _____ Miss Mary Miller, Lexington
Miss Vivian Lee Teague, Thomasville

GROUPS

Thomasville—Thomasville First Church, Thomasville Orphanage, Southside, Rich Fork, New Friendship, Oak Hill, Abbotts Creek, Wallburg.

Lexington—Lexington First Church, Erlanger, Tabernacle, Churchland, Reeds, Jersey, Smith Grove, Center Hill, Stoners Grove, Welcome.

Denton—Denton First Church, Summerville, Taylors Grove, Liberty, Lick Creek, Holloways, Gravel Hill, Westfield, Walters Grove.

The report was discussed by Prevette Westmoreland and was adopted.

B. Y. P. U. LEADER

Prevette Westmoreland was elected Associational B. Y. P. U. leader for next year.

TIME, PREACHER AND PLACE

The Committee heretofore appointed recommended the following:

Time, Tuesday after the First Sunday in September.
Place, Rich Fork.
Preacher, E. N. Gardner; Ira Freeman alternate.
Which was adpted.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

The following resolutoin was offered by C. Herman Trueblood:

Resolved: That we, the members of the Liberty Association, express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Liberty Baptist Church for the bountiful hospitality extended to us during the session of the association.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM DIRECTOR

E. N. Gardner, of the Orphanage Church, was elected Director of the Co-operative Program and directed to call the Executive Committee and the pastors together at an early date to apportion among the different churches, the amount assessed

against Liberty Association by the State Board.

Under the call of Director Gardner said meeting was held at the church at Lexington on Monday, October 5th, 1925.

And the following is the apportionment made among the different churches:

Abbotts Creek	$ 824
Center Hill	300
Churchland	800
Denton	500
Gravel Hill	83
Holloways	400
Jersey	500
Lexington	2536
Liberty	181
Lick Creek	100
New Friendship	300
Oak Hill	100
Orphanage	2000
Reeds Cross Roads	200
Rich Fork	217
Smith Grove	200
Southside	100
Stoner's Grove	400
Summerville	200
Tabernacle	321
Taylor's Grove	26
Thomasville	2000
Wallburg	630
Walters Grove	25
Welcome	200
Westfield	75

M. L. Kesler was elected to represent the association on the State Mission Board.

Dr. C. A. Owen was elected delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

C. H. Trueblood was elected delegate to the Baptist State Convention.

The Finance Committee reported $78 raised for the printing of the minutes.

After benediction the association adjourned.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON, Moderator.
SAM J. SMITH, Clerk.

THOSE THAT HAVE GONE TO THEIR REWARD SINCE OUR LAST ASSOCIATION

"In my Father's house there are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you." John 14:2.

ABBOTTS CREEK: Eliza A. Spurgeon, Carrie Bodenheimer.

CENTER HILL: Mrs. Margaret Owen, Miss Eliza Ann Saintsing.

CHURCHLAND: S. R. Simmerson, Mrs. J. T. Barnes, Mrs. Mary C. Rickard.

DENTON: Dr. B. R. Anderson, John Newsom.

GRAVEL HILL: Charlie Lax.

HOLLOWAYS: R. S. Davis, Mrs. Sarah A. Bailey.

JERSEY: Z. T. Sharpe, W. F. Miller.

LEXINGTON: D. F. Conrad, S. E. Williams, J. T. Yarbrough, W. B. Yarbrough, Mrs. Callie Sink, Carey Pickard.

LICK CREEK: Mrs. Clarinda Davis.

NEW FRIENDSHIP: Mrs. Matilda Enoch, Susan Wilson, Mrs. Phebe Jane Rominger, Sanford C. Fleming.

OAK HILL: James Royals, Miss Blanche Kennedy.

LIBERTY: Mrs. Fannie Williams.

SMITH GROVE: J. H. Grubb, Mrs. Fannie Williams.

STONERS GROVE: Dewey Long.

ERLANGER: Mrs. W. B. James.

TAYLORS GROVE: Wm. Loflin.

THOMASVILLE: Mrs. Letitia Leonard, J. A. Michell, James Axsom.

WALLBURG: J. H. Boyles.

"I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live. And whosoever liveth, and believeth in me, shall never die." John 11:25:26.

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association met in its nineteenth annual session with the Reeds Church at ten o'clock on August 18, 1925.

The meeting was presided over by Mrs. R. S. Green, the Superintendent, who conducted the devotional exercises after the opening hymn, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name." Words of welcome were spoken by Mrs. Alda Craver, of the hostess society, to which Mrs. A. F. Warfford, of the Stoners Grove society, responded.

Report of the Secretary-Treasurer was given which showed a balance of $10.58 on hand. Miss Mary Warren, the Corresponding Secretary of our State W. M. U., was heartily welcomed as a visitor and Miss Irma Godbold, of the Orphanage society, who had recently come into the association, was also recognized. In the absence of the Personal Service Chairman, that report was read by Mrs. Green, after which Miss Warren explained to us the new plan for Personal Service work. A duet, "List to His Voice" was given from the local society. Roll call of societies and responses given briefly.

The Superintendent took as her subject for her annual message: "Woman's Part in the Co-operative Program." After a song by the congregation Miss Irma Godbold gave a talk on W. M. U. Periodicals and took subscriptions for same. Miss Mary Warren delivered a most inspiring address on the "Program of Jesus."

The following subjects were discussed: Programs, by Miss Lelia Motsinger; Education, by Miss Bessie Tysinger; then followed a solo by Miss Mary Warren.

After the appointment of committees the meeting adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After the singing of a hymn the devotional exercises were led by Miss Sallie McCracken. A talk was given by Mrs. Childress on enlistment. Roll call of young people's societies and reports showed them active, though a few less in number than last year.

Besides the associational expense fund the societies had been asked to contribute to a fund being raised in the Charlotte Division to purchase a sewing machine for Miss Alda Grayson for her hospital in China and for a wedding present for Mrs. Ismael Negrin, who was formerly Miss Bessie Harrill.

one of the orphanage girls, who has been doing mission work in Havana and was recently married to a missionary in Cuba. This was placed in the hands of the Secretary-Treasurer to be sent to the treasurer of the Charlotte Division. Some songs were given by the three little daughters of Mrs. R. L. Palmer, of the Jersey society. A paper on Young People's Work was read by Miss Tela Beanblossom. Pastor W. L. Barrs attended the meeting and gave a word of encouragement. Miss Elizabeth Smith discussed Our Training Schools.

Miss Roxie Sheets, associational Mission Study superintendent gave her report which showed that eight study classes were held during the year. It was insisted that each society have at least one class and that a mission study chairman be appointed in each society. Miss Mary Warren gave a helpful talk on this subject.

The total contributions during the year amounted to $4,176.05, of which amount the young people's societies gave $211.27.

The committees reported as follows:

Nominating Committee:

Superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Green.
Associate Superintendent, Mrs. Winona Swaim.
Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Sallie L. McCracken.
Mission Study Superintendent, Miss Roxie Sheets.
Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. C. C. Pritchard.
Junior Superintendent, Mrs. Harvey Hedrick.

MISS TELA BEANBLOSSOM,
MRS. ALDA CRAVER,
MRS. C. M. HOWELL,
MRS. W. A. BEEKER,
MRS. N. R. TEAGUE, Committee.

Committee on Time and Place:

New Friendship church. Meeting to be held on Thursday following the third Sunday in August, 1926.

MRS. R. L. PALMER,
MRS. W. L. BARRS,
MRS. MARY DAVIS, Committee.

Committee on Resolutions:

Wheras, the women and young ladies of Reeds [illegible] gether with their pastor, have been so thoughtful and congenial in their hospitality toward us, therefore be it

Resolved, 1. That we express our hearty thanks and sincere appreciation for the many helpful suggestions by which we can have a part in preaching the gospel to every creature.

2. That we are profoundly grateful for the sumptuous dinner served in such beautiful picnic style which was heartily enjoyed by all present.

MRS. T. H. TOMLINSON,
MISS LELIA MOTSINGER,
MRS. B. F. LEE, Committee.

The obituary committee composed of Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Mrs. C. M. Wall and Miss Elizabeth Smith reported the death of Mrs. Callie Sink, of the Lexington society.

The Literature Committee composed of Miss Irma Godbold, Mrs. R. A. Allen and Mrs. Monroe Bean secured several subscriptions to Royal Service.

Some future plans for the Union were discussed, especially that of dividing the association into groups or circles. This

was left in the hands of the Executive Committee.

After singing "Blest Be the Tie that Binds,"the meeting was dismissed by prayer.

LIST OF DELEGATES, WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

Abbotts Creek—Mrs. N. R. Teague.

Churchland—Mrs. W. A. Beeker, Mrs. Mary Barnes.

Denton—Mrs. R. A. Allen, Mrs. L. V. Miller, Mrs. Mary Davis, Miss Bessie Tysinger.

Holloways, Mrs. B. R. Cross, Mrs. H. L. Crook, Mrs. D. R. Beanblossom.

Jersey—Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Mrs. J. T. Barnes, Mrs. O. F. Tate.

Lexington—Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Mrs. E. G. Hunt, Mrs. L. B. Wright.

New Friendship—Mrs. R. M. Simmons, Miss Lelia Motsinger, Miss Vivian Hartman, Miss Evie Wilson.

Orphanage—Miss Irma Godbold, Miss Sallie L. McCracken.

Reeds—Mrs. Clyde Snyder, Mrs. Rom Hill.

Stoners Grove—Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Mrs. O. L. Wrenn, Mrs. D. D. Davis.

Thomasville—Mrs. Bettie Robbins, Mrs. John Daniel, Mrs. R. S. Green.

Wallburg—By report.

Y. W. A.

Thomasville—Ruby Everhart, Vivian Lee Teague, Elizabeth Teague, Eva Culp.

G. A.

Lexington—By report.

Thomasville—By report.

SUNBEAMS

Holloways—Ray Crook, Ruth Briggs, Alpha McCarn.

Lexington—By report.

New Friendship—Clarence Wilson, Lina Snyder, Ruth May Simmons.

Orphanage—By report.

Stoners Grove—By report.

Thomasville—Charles and Annie Howell.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCHES	SUPERINTENDENT AND POSTOFFICE	SECRETARY AND POSTOFFICE	Officers and Teachers	Total Enrollment	Baptisms from School	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions Orphanage, etc.	Total Contributions
Abbotts Creek (Village)	D. S. Hayworth, High Point	Floyd J. Teague, Kernersville	7	107	3	45.00	357.00	402.00
Center Hill (Country)	H. L. Miller, Linwood	S. E. Jarrett, Linwood	7	113	4	67.77	237.10	304.87
*Churchland (Village)	W. H. Lomax, Linwood, R. 3	J. N. Penniger, Linwood	18	259	3	50.00	135.00	185.00
Denton (Town)	L. V. Miller, Denton	R. A. Allen, Denton	9	220	1	206.45	63.28	269.73
Gravel Hill (Country)	T. H. Davis, Denton	E. M. Russell, New Hope Academy	7	144	27			
Holloways (Country)	W. E. Shirley, High Rock	Ottis Hedrick, High Rock, R. 1	10	155	11	35.00	27.05	62.05
*Jersey (Country)	J. Marvin Tate, Linwood	R. L. Palmer, Linwood	9	157	14	38.89	26.21	65.10
Lexington (City)	Dr. C. R. Sharpe, Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	25	585	33	450.00	1350.00	1800.00
Liberty (Country)	O. F. Hughes, Thomasville, R. 4	Miss Clara Black, Thomasville R 4	7	160	2	50.00	20.00	70.00
Lick Creek (Country)	V. K. Sheen, High Rock	Milton Cole, High Rock, R. 1	7	51		15.00		15.00
New Friendship (Country)	C. F. Motsinger, Winston, R. 5	H. F. Swaim, Winston	12	167	1	90.40	120.36	210.76
Oak Hill (Country)	S. M. Ferguson, Thomasville, R. 4	Cleta Welborn, Thomasville, R. 4	4	64	6	8.00	11.31	19.31
*Orphanage (Town)	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	Lonnie Dail, Thomasville	43	546	60	52.00	860.92	912.92
*Reeds (Village)	D. J. Crews, Lexington, R. 3	A. R. Craver, Lexington, R. 3	13	293	7	102.79		102.79
Rich Fork (Country)	L. H. Small, Thomasville	Mrs. Zula Marsh, Thomasville	9	265		188.90		188.90
Smith Grove (Country)	G. A. Clement, Linwood, R. 1	E. W. Koonts, Linwood, R. 1	8	95	8	25.00		25.00
Southside (Town)	E. H. Mullis, Thomasville	Catharine Basinger, Thomasville	13	228	10	66.63		66.63
*Stoners Grove (Village)	S. E. Wafford, Linwood	Glenn Morris, Southmont	11	129	18	180.56	195.33	375.89
Summerville (Country)	M. L. Bean, High Rock, R. 1	Miss Genie Rogers, High Rock, R1	6	114	5	16.00		16.00
Tabernacle (Town)	W. H. Brown, Erlanger	E. S. Nance, Erlanger	18	454		160.25		160.25
Taylors Grove (Country)	(Not reported)	Miss Grace Bailey, Chandler	4	40		10.00		10.00
*Thomasville (City)	P. C. Newton, Thomasville	A. Z. Boles, Thomasville	23	733	12	581.23	789.22	1370.45
Wallburg (Village)	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	J. H. Yokley, Wallburg	10	134	8	143.00	86.52	229.52
Welcome (Village)	M. L. Craver, Welcome	Mary Bell Disher, Welcome	7	102		30.00		30.00
Westfield (Country)	G. W. Summey, Fullers	R. A. Summey, Fullers	8	80		12.00		12.00
TOTALS			295	5395	233	$2624.87	$4279.30	$6904.17

* The Sunday Schools at Churchland, Jersey and the Orphanage are Graded A-1 Standard Schools, with teachers holding Normal Diplomas. * Those at Reeds, Southside, Stoners Grove and Thomasville are Graded but not A-1 Standard.

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CHURCHES

CHURCHES	PASTORS	S. S. SUPT AND POSTOFFICE	Baptisms	Church Membership	Sunday School Membership	Co-operative Program	State, Home and Foreign Missions	Orphanage, Hospitals, Ministers' Relief	Christian Education	Total Denominational Contributions	Total Local Church Contributions	Grand Total
Abbotts Creek	E. F. Mumford	D. S. Hayworth, High Point	5	182	107	$16.00	$228.00	$557.00		$801.00	$378.25	$1179.25
Center Hill	W. L. Barrs	H. L. Miller, Linwood	14	153	113		106.10	340.33		446.43	490.00	936.43
Churchland	H. T. Penry	W. H. Lomax, Linwood, R. 3	3	241	259		73.09	272.36		345.45	1168.19	1513.64
Denton	L. A. Connell	L. V. Miller, Denton	1	224	220	452.21	5.60	225.30		683.11	1036.23	1719.34
Gravel Hill	R. L. West	T. H. Davis, Denton	30	81	144		49.05	21.25		70.30	324.15	394.45
Holloways	H. T. Penry	W. E. Shirley, High Rock	11	199	155	225.91		44.05		269.96	674.75	944.71
Jersey	H. T. Penry	J. Marvin Tate, Linwood	22	218	157	252.94		34.00		286.94	492.89	779.83
Lexington	Dr. C. A. Owens	Dr. C. H. Sharpe, Lexington	47	707	585	625.00	960.89	1813.36	225.00	3624.25	10980.50	14604.75
Liberty	L. A. Connell	O. F. Hughes, Thomasville	6	153	160	84.04				84.04	345.32	429.36
Lick Creek	L. A. Connell	V. K. Skeen, High Rock		97	51	73.50				73.50	225.00	298.50
New Friendship	John R. Miller	C. F. Motsinger, W-Salem, R. 5	3	151	167	120.15	150.70	235.36	10.00	516.21	1028.40	1544.61
Oak Hill	O. F. Barnes	S. M. Ferguson, Thomasville, R. 4	14	53	64	5.00	12.46	9.85		27.31	400.67	427.98
Orphanage	E. N. Gardner	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	60	338	546	154.73	942.26	1000.82	243.68	2341.49	1064.70	3406.19
Reeds	W. L. Barrs	D. J. Crews, Lexington, R. 3	7	267	293						1598.04	1598.04
Rich Fork	W. L. Barrs	L. H. Small, Thomasville		187	265			60.00		60.00	3151.00	3211.00
Smith Grove	H. T. Penry	L. T. Yarbrough, Salisbury, R. 7	13	116	95	18.00				18.00	233.00	251.00
South Side	E. W. Byerly	E. H. Mullis, Thomasville	18	107	228	40.00	6.67	24.94		71.61	1708.58	1780.19
Stoners Grove	H. T. Penry	S. E. Wafford, Linwood	18	167	129	85.84	90.50	232.09		408.43	1974.61	2383.04
Summerville	D. P. Morris	M. L. Bean, High Rock, R. 1	21	251	114	42.00		5.55		47.55	233.19	280.74
Tabernacle (Erlanger)	Dr. Ira Freeman	W. H. Brown, Erlanger		202	454	43.85		68.27	104.50	216.62	3770.12	3986.74
Taylors Grove	D. P. Morris	Grace Bailey, Chandler		14	40			10.00		10.00	828.05	838.05
Thomasville	C. H. Trueblood	P. C. Newton, Thomasville	14	422	733	581.53	291.44	776.09		1649.06	5338.87	6987.93
Wallburg	E. F. Mumford	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	8	173	134	184.36	51.00	239.33	10.00	474.69	1738.12	2212.81
Walters Grove	L. A. Connell	Has no Sunday School		67		5.21		2.05		7.26	85.00	92.26
Welcome	W. L. Barrs	M. L. Craver, Welcome	3	73	102	121.31		65.03		186.34	1420.70	1607.04
Westfield	E. W. Byerly	G. W. Summey, Fullers		56	80	8.00				8.00	197.00	205.00
TOTALS			318	4935	5395	$3139.58	$2967.76	$6027.03	$593.18	12727.55	40885.33	53612.88

TABLE OF B. Y. P. U. AND W. M. U. WORK

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF B. Y. P. U.'s AND POSTOFFICES	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Number Daily Bible Readers	Number Taking Study Courses	Total Systematic Givers in all Unions	Presidents and Leaders of Woman's Organizations and Postoffices	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number Y. W. A.'s	Number G. A.'s	Number Sunbeams	Total W. M. U. Organizations	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions and Benevolences	Total Gifts All Purposes
Abbotts Creek													Miss Minnie Hayworth					1		$153.50	$153.50
Churchland	Mrs. Lea Barnes, Linwood	1		1	2	20		25	45				Mrs. W. A. Beeker	1				1		69.27	71.27
	Miss Grace Covington, Linwood																				
Denton	Miss Hazel Russell, Denton												Mrs. Mary Davis	1				1		154.55	157.55
	Miss Lola Daniel, Denton	1	1		2	15	31		46		11										
Holloways	C. V. Peele, High Rock	1			1	45			45	15			Mrs. W. H. Johnson	1			1	2		91.16	93.16
Gravel Hill	Clem Allred, Denton	1			1	55			55			28									
Jersey	Mrs. I. A. Sharpe, Linwood												Mrs. R. L. Palmer	1				1	80.00	114.45	197.95
	Miss Sadie Sharpe, Linwood	1		1	2	14		26	40		12										
Lexington	Miss Eugenia Webster, Lexington												Miss Roxie Sheets	1		1	1	3	250.10	647.52	907.62
	Miss Rafried Penniger, Lexington	1	1		2	30	20		50	5	30	15									
New Friendship													Mrs. W. J. Griffin	1			1	2		162.57	166.07
Orphanage	Lina Jennings, Thomasville	3	3	3	9	57	65	70	192	170	140	135	Miss Sallie McCracken	1		1	1	3		1408.51	1411.51
	Miss Alva Lawrence, Thomasville																				
	Mrs. E. Cocke, Thomasville																				
Reeds													Mrs. Alda Craver	1				1	180.00	37.70	220.50
Oak Hill	Joe Welborn, Thomasville, R. 4	1			1	20			20												
Smith Grove	Ruth Snider	1			1	27			27												
Stoners Grove													Mrs. A. F. Warfford	1			1	2		116.62	132.58
Tabernacle	Miss Grace Mouney, Erlanger	1		1	2	23		22	45												
	Miss Edna Hepler, Erlanger																				
Thomasville	Miss Grace Ward, Thomasville	1	1	1	3	32	12	41	85	51	61	44	Mrs. R. S. Green	1	1	1	1	4		566.74	573.24
	Lawrence Crews, Thomasville																			91.10	91.10
	Miss Claudine Saunders, Thom'lle																				
Wallburg																					
	TOTALS	13	6	7	26	338	128	184	650	241	254	222		10	1	3	6	21	$510.10	$3613.69	$4176.05

MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCH PROPERTY TABLE

CHURCH	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE	GAIN				LOSS				General Information				Church Property					
			Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths	Total Present Members	Regular Days of Meeting	When Constituted	Revival Meetings	Families Receiving State Baptist Paper	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number Rooms	Value Church House & Grounds	Value Pastor's Home	Total Value Church Property
Abbotts Creek	E. F. Mumford, Wallburg	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point, R. 4	5	1			7		2	182	3d	1758	1	10	Wood	400	1	2000.00		2000.00
Center Hill	W. L. Barrs, Welcome	C. A. Owens, Lexington, R. 6	14						2	153	1st	1907	1	8	Wood	400	1	3000.00		3000.00
Churchland	H. T. Penry, Southmont	A. C. Kesler, Linwood, R. 3	3	1	1		12	1	3	241	1st, 3d	1837	2	8	Wood	500	9	10000.00		10000.00
Denton	L. A. Connell, Denton	A. L. Snider, Denton	1	11			21	2	2	224	2d, 4th	1881	1	12	Wood	600	6	6150.00	4000.00	10150.00
Gravel Hill	R. L. West, Starr	E. M. Russell, New Hope Academy	30		1		2		1	81	2d, 4th	1901	1	1	Wood	500	1	700.00		700.00
Holloways	H. T. Penry, Southmont	G. C. Palmer, High Rock, R. 1	11				3		2	199	2d	1831	1	8	Wood	500	1	2000.00	1200.00	3200.00
Jersey	H. T. Penry, Southmont	Mrs. R. A. Tate, Linwood	22	6			1	1	1	218	2d, 4th	1755	1	4	Brick	500	1	8000.00		8000.00
Lexington	Dr. C. A. Owens, Lexington	Ed F. Smith, Lexington	47	42			15		6	707	Every	1882	1	75	Brick	750	20	84000.00	11000.00	95000.00
Liberty	L. A. Connell, Denton	H. P. May, Thomasville	6				4	4	1	153	3d	1829	1	6	Wood	400	5	7500.00		7500.00
Lick Creek	L. A. Connell, Denton	P. M. Snider, High Rock, R. 1				1	6		1	97	1st	1808	1	2	Wood	500	1	5000.00		5000.00
New Friendship	John R. Miller, Kernersville	A. J. Hartman, Winston, R. 4	3			1	5		4	151	1st, 3d	1833	1	15	Brick	500	1	5000.00		5000.00
Oak Hill	O. F. Barnes, High Point	J. H. Thompson, Trinity, R. 1	14	9		1	10	2	2	53	1st, 3d	1884	1	2	Wood	300	1	1500.00		1500.00
Orphanage	E. N. Gardner, Thomasville	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	60	37			55			338	Every	1891	1	15	Brick	500				
Reeds	W. L. Barrs, Welcome	Arlie Myers, Lexington, R. 3	7	2				5		264	2d, 4th	1839	1	8	Wood	500	10	3000.00	3000.00	6000.00
Rich Fork	W. L. Barrs, Welcome	L. H. Small, Thomasville					2			181	3d	1884		5	Brick	500		10000.00		10000.00
Smith Grove	H. T. Penry, Southmont	L. T. Yarbrough, Salisbury, R. 7	13				5		2	116	4th	1908	1	2	Wood	300	1	2000.00		2000.00
South Side	E. W. Byerly, Thomasville	J. H. Nall, Thomasville	18	28	7		4	16		107	Every	1919	2	2	Wood	300	3	1700.00		1700.00
Stoners Grove	H. T. Penry, Southmont	Walter Wafford, Linwood	18	3	1		5	2	1	167	1st, 3d	1900	1	5	Wood	500	7	3000.00	2400.00	5400.00
Summerville	D. P. Morris, Norwood	M. L. Bean, High Rock, R. 1	21	1		1	3	2		251	1st	1873	1		Wood	500	1	2500.00		2500.00
Tabernacle, Erlanger	Dr. Ira Freeman, Erlanger	L. E. Grubb, Erlanger		27			14		1	202	Every	1916	2	5	Wood	600	1	5000.00		5000.00
Taylors Grove	D. P. Morris, Norwood	D. M. Summey, Lexington							1	14	1st	1900			Wood	300	1	1000.00		1000.00
Thomasville	C. H. Trueblood, Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	14	30	1	3	4	5	3	422	Every	1859	2	40	Brick	500	8	35000.00	5000.00	40000.
Wallburg	E. F. Mumford, Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	8	4			12	1	1	173	2d, 4th	1892	1	10	Brick	700	10	7000.00		7000.00
Walters Grove	L. A. Connell, Denton	J. T. Pierce, Cid, R. 1								67	4th	1913	1	1	Wood	200	1	500.00		500.00
Welcome	W. L. Barrs, Welcome	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	3							73	2d, 4th		1	4	Wood	500	1	4000.00	4000.00	8000.00
Westfield	E. W. Byerly, Thomasville	R. A. Summey, Fullers					5			56	1st	1912	1	2	Wood	350	1	2700.00		2700.00
TOTALS			318	203	11	7	195	41	36	4935			28	250		12100	93	212,250.00	30,600.00	242,850.00

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCH	TREASURER & POSTOFFICE	For Support of Local Church Work										For Support of Missions, Education and Benevolence										
		Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. & B.Y.P.U. Expenses	Local Poor	Minute Fund, Etc.	Other Objects	Home Total	Co-operative Program Undesignated	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State & Asso. Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief	Other Benevolences	Denominational Total	Grand Total
Abbotts Creek	C. E. Spurgeon, High Point, R. 4	200.00		96.00		77.00	*		5.25		378.25	16.00		32.70	193.30		457.00	100.00			801.00	1179.25
Center Hill	R. B. Sheets, Lexington, R. 6	250.00	10.00	36.00		126.00	68.00				490.00		10.00	76.00	20.10		312.55	20.35		7.43	446.43	936.43
Churchland	L. E. Rickard, Linwood, R. 1	600.00	48.00	146.62	182.89	35.00	104.00	8.42	5.00	38.26	1168.19		34.65	6.65	31.79		252.00	15.00	1.00	4.36	345.45	1513.64
Denton	Carlie H. Davis, Denton	749.00		114.00	41.00	55.47	71.76		5.00		1036.23	452.21		5.60			216.30	9.00			683.11	1719.34
Gravel Hill	J. O. Vuncanon, New Hope Acdy.	225.00		67.25		29.90	*		2.00		324.15		19.70	12.75	16.60		16.25		5.00		70.30	394.45
Holloways	D. R. Beanblossom, High Rock	250.00		53.65	52.50		35.00	5.00		278.60	674.75	225.91					27.05	17.00			269.90	944.71
Jersey	S. A. Sharpe, Linwood	312.00	25.00	52.00			38.89	33.00	5.00	27.00	492.89	252.94					24.00	5.00		5.00	286.94	779.83
Lexington	S. L. Owen, Lexington	3600.00	1476.00	300.00	4186.19	217.32	310.30	50.00	30.00	810.69	10980.50	625.00	368.75	195.89	396.25	255.00	1427.00	131.25	124.98	130.09	3624.25	14604.75
Liberty	J. T. Kindley, Thomasville	250.00		42.52	36.45	13.35	*		3.00		345.32	84.04									84.04	429.36
Lick Creek	R. E. Reid, High Rock, R. 1	175.00		25.00		7.00	15.00		3.00		225.00	73.50									73.50	298.50
New Friendship	C. F. Motsinger, Winston, R. 5	600.00		46.00		228.00	90.40	6.00	4.00		1028.40	120.15	105.00	17.20	28.50	10.00	140.72	50.49		44.15	516.21	1544.61
Oak Hill	J. H. Thompson, Trinity, R. 1	*300.00		90.67			8.00		2.00		400.67	5.00			12.46		9.85				27.31	427.98
Orphanage	Miss S. McCracken, Thomasville	800.00		140.00		28.35	86.35		10.00		1064.70	154.73	415.53	205.21	321.52	243.68	537.53	99.73	43.50	320.06	2341.49	3406.19
Reeds	W. E. Leonard, Lexington, R. 3	600.00	24.00	47.00	755.25	24.00	102.79			45.00	1598.04				*							1598.04
Rich Fork	L. H. Small, Thomasville	300.00			2800.00		47.00		4.00		3151.00						45.00	5.00		10.00	60.00	3211.00
Smith Grove	L. T. Yarbrough, Salisbury, R. 7	150.00		58.00		5.00	*	20.00			233.00	18.00									18.00	251.00
South Side	J. A. Simpson, Thomasville	1071.00	4.00	127.04	333.00	83.90	66.64		2.00	21.00	1708.58	40.00			6.67		24.94				71.61	1780.19
Stoners Grove	S. E. Wafford, Linwood	372.50	40.00	61.69	1272.09	65.74	62.72		4.55	95.32	1974.61	85.84	17.38	17.34	55.78		201.72	24.37		6.00	408.43	2383.04
Summerville	J. E. Gallimore, Denton	175.00		48.77		6.92			2.50		233.19	42.00					5.55				47.55	280.74
Tabernacle, Erlanger	C. E. Leonard, Erlanger	*2100.00	120.00	117.09	900.00	85.60	160.25	10.00	3.00	184.18	3770.12	43.85				104.50	68.27				216.62	3986.74
Taylors Grove	D. M. Summey, Lexington	100.00			728.05						828.05						5.00			5.00	10.00	838.05
Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	2400.00	351.25	291.00	230.56	183.64	601.62	39.54	10.00	1231.26	5338.87	581.53	68.70	60.63	162.11		649.09	85.45	21.70	19.85	1649.06	6987.93
Wallburg	C. C. Smith, Wallburg	500.00			1228.62		*		5.00	3.50	1738.12	184.36		51.00		10.00	173.83	55.50			474.69	2212.81
Walters Grove	J. T. Pierce, Cid, R. 1	75.00		8.00					2.00		85.00	5.21					2.05				7.26	92.26
Welcome	E. S. Craver, Welcome	250.00			1150.70	20.00	*				1420.70	121.31					60.00	5.03			186.34	1607.04
Westfield	J. C. Loflin, Fullers	*125.00			50.00		12.00	10.00			197.00	8.00									8.00	205.00
TOTALS		16529.50	2098.25	1968.30	13948.30	1292.19	1880.72	325.96	107.30	2734.81	40885.33	3139.58	1039.71	680.97	1247.08	593.18	4653.74	623.17	196.18	551.94	12727.55	53612.88

* The amounts given as pastors' salaries at Tabernacle, Westfield and Oak Hill represent the annual salaries of the pastors now in charge; and not the amounts that were actually paid last year, as these churches were without pastors for several months.

* See Sunday School Table for these amounts, Gifts to Local Church Work Column.

* Reeds church reports $25 given to missions that was not noted in Church Letter.

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Pastors and Postoffice

M. O. Alexander.....Thomasville, N. C.
W. L. Barrs.....Welcome, N. C.
E. M. Brooks.....Albermarle, N. C.
L. A. Connell.....Denton, N. C.
Ira Freeman.....Erlanger, N. C.
E. N. Gardner.....Thomasville, N. C.
J. H. Manes.....Jamestown, N. C.
John R. Miller.....Kernersville, N. C.
C. A. Owens.....Lexington, N. C.
H. T. Penry.....Southmont, N. C.
E. C. Roach.....Trinity, N. C.
R. L. West.....Albemarle, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS LIVING IN THE ASSOCIATION,

WHO ARE NOT PASTORS.

Lee Fox.....Wallburg, N. C.
B. B. Haynes.....Thomasville, N. C.
M. L. Kesler, Supt. of Orphanage.....Thomasville, N. C.
E. H. Mullis.....Thomasville, N. C.
John Needham.....Lexington, N. C.
W. O. Nanney.....Lexington, N. C.
J. D. Newton.....Thomasville, N. C.
W. A. Sowers.....Winston-Salem, N. C.
Ronald Wall.....Lexington, N. C.

MISSIONARY TO CHINA

Arthur R. Gallimore

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

M. L. Kesler.....Thomasville, N. C.
G. W. Miller.....Lexington, N. C.
L. E. Teague.....Thomasvile, N. C.
D. S. Hayworth.....High Point, N. C. No. 4
C. C. Wrenn.....Southmont, N. C.
W. H. Lomax.....Linwood, N. C. No. 3

DELEGATES, LEADERS ECT.

J. D. Newton, Thomasville, N. C., Delegate to Southern Daptist Convention.

C. M. Wall, Lexington, N. C. Delegate to State Baptist Convention.

M. L. Kesler, Thomasville, N. C., Representative on State Mission Board.

A. J. Newton, Lexington, N. C., B. Y. P. U. Leader.

Mrs. E. N. Gardner, Thomasville, N. C., Supt. of Woman's work.

MINUTE FUND APPORTIONMENT

Abbotts Creek	$6.00
Center Hill	4.00
Churchland	6.00
Denton	6.00
Erlanger	4.00
Gravel Hill	2.50
Holloways	5.00
Jersey	6.00
Lexington	25.00
Liberty	4.00
Lick Creek	3.50
New Friendship	5.00
Oak Hill	2.00
Orphanage	12.00
Reeds	5.00
Rich Fork	5.00
Smith Grove	4.00
Southside	3.00
Westfield	3.00
Stoners Grove	6.00
Summerville	3.00
Taylor's Grove	1.00
Thomasville	15.00
Wallburg	6.00
Walter's Grove	1.00
Welcome	5.00

PROCEEDINGS

Rich Folk Church, Sept. 7, 1926.

The 93rd session of the Liberty Baptist Association convened with the church at Rich Fork on Tuesday Sept. 7th, 1926. Devotional services were conducted by Rev. L. A. Connell, pastor of the Denton field. Moderator, Archibald Johnson called the body to order and the following messengers enrolled:

Abbotts Creek— C. H. Teague, D. S. Hayworth, J. R. Phillips.

Center Hill— W. L. Beck, C. R. Hunt, H. T. Miller, S. E. Jarrett, Mrs S. E. Jarrett.

Churchland— W. H. Lomax, W. A. Beeker, A. C. Kesler, L. E. Rickard, L. M. Barnes, Clay Crubb.

Denton— L. A. Connell, Mrs. L. A. Connell, Miss Flora Tysinger, Miss Hazel Tysinger, Elbert Tysinger, Val Morris, Beulah Morriss, Vera Morris.

Gravel Hill— W. H. Russell, Sam Scarlet.

Holloways— W. E. Shirley, J. A. Wafford, H. L. Crook, G. C. Palmer.

Jersey— I. A. Sharpe, R. A. Tate, W. L. Roach.

Lick Creek— J. A. Kinney.

Lexington— Sam J. Smith, Mrs. S. D. Swaim, A. J. Newton, G. W. Miller, Mrs. L. A. Martin, Mrs. T. S. Wall, Miss Callie Carroll, Mrs. W. F. Brown, Mrs. Glenn Burkhart, Miss Roxie Sheets, Mrs. J. K. Hankins, Miss Della Crotts, Mrs. B. F. Lee, Dr. C. A. Owens.

Liberty— N. T. Kindley, Mrs. R. R. Kindley, Chas. Sowers, Mrs. Chas. Sowers, O. F. Hughes, Mrs. O. F. Hughes, John Black, Mrs. Louella Black, C. O. Hepler, Mrs. Bessie Clodfelter, E. A. Watford, Mrs. Rena Watford.

New Friendship— R. E. Lambeth, E. L. Snyder, Miss Florence Motsinger.

Oak Hill— Hattie Royals, Carrie Royals.

Orphanage— M. L. Kesler, H. G. Early, Mrs. B. F. Cruchfield, Miss Sallie McCracken.

Reeds— J. F. Foster, Mrs. B. O. Myers, Arlie Myers.

Rich Fork— Ed Conrad, Grady Conrad, Jake Kannoy, Willie Curry.

Smith Grove— Not represented.

Southside— W. J. Hegler, I. S. Basinger, Joe Scroggs.

Stoners Grove— J. D. Lookabill, Walter Wafford, A. L. Styers,

Summerville— James Rogers, J. L. Carrick, Alex Snider.

Tabernacle— J. W. Dagenhart, G. C. Guin.

Taylors Grove— Not represented.

Thomasville— J. M. Hayes, L. E. Teague, W. G. Fitzgerald, Mrs. W. H. Ellitt, Mrs. O. L. Wagstaff.

Wallburg— G. W. Wall, J. H. Yokely, J. W. Tuttle, C. C. Smith.

Walters Grove— J. T. Pierce, Gurney Pierce.

Welcome— John Crotts, E. J. Zimmerman, W. H. Snider, W. S. Disher.

Westfield— C. T. Hughes, Mrs. C. T. Hughes, G. W. Summey, W. B. Myers.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

The following officers were elected by the association:

Moderator ..... Archibald Johnson
Vice Moderator ..... E. N. Gardner
Clerk and Treas. ..... Sam J. Smith

The following committee on Programme was appointed by the moderator, M. O. Alexander, M. L. Kesler and W. L. Barrs.

He also named at this time the following committee on finance: F. B. Hamrick, L. E. Teague and G. W. Miller.

BIBLICAL RECORDER

The following report on the Biblical Recorder was read by E. F. Mumford:

Ninety-three years ago the first copy of the Biblical Recorder was issued by Thomas Meredith. Since that time it has been rendering valuable service to the Baptists of North Carolina, giving them the best thoughts of the best thinkers among our people. One of its chief aims has been and is to promote Kingdom work and teach obedience to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

It has been and is a great asset to our Baptist work. It is now owned and controlled by stockholders who publish it at their own expense. During the past five years, because of the high price of paper and labor, there has been a liability of from $2000 to $4000 annually. The stockholders have met this deficit from other sources of income. Their aim has been to give to the people the best paper possible and the readers and friends of the Recorder know that their efforts have not been in vain.

The best is none too good for the Baptist homes of North Carolina. The proper growth and development of our state and nation depends largely on the culture and Christian training in the home. This training is largely acquired by what people read.

The Biblical Recorder seeks to bring a weekly summary of our Baptist news, local and general, to our people. It seeks to give a Christian and Baptist interpretation to the local events of the

day. It seeks to give the achievements among our schools, our churches, our Sunday Schools, B. Y. P. U., W. M. U., and laymen's work; so that the reader may be informed of the best method of doing our work. It presents letters from our missionaries at home and abroad and so informs the readers of what is being accomplished through their contributions.

The "Home Circle", with its stories, poems, and "Spice Box" furnishes helpful and interesting reading for our young people. The purpose is to present high ideals for young people and help in developing character. The need for pure literature for our boys and girls was never greater, and the Biblical Recorder seeks to aid in supplying this need. The price is $2.00 per year. The circulation is about 16,000 but should be 25,000.

* For these facts we are indebted to the office at Raleigh.

E. F. Mumford
C. M. Howell

The report was discussed by, E. F. Mumford, W. R. Beach and J. D. Newton and was adopted.

VISITORS

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body. Rev. W. R. Beach, Field Representative of the Biblical Recorder, Prof. R. G. Foster, Prin. of the Fair View School, Prof. R. M. Hickman, Evangelical Music Leader, whose home is at Petersburg, Va., Mr. S. B. Wilson, of Winston-Salem, N. C., Rev. Ronald Wall of Lexington, N. C. and Wake Forest, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Green of the South Yadkin Association, Rev. B. W. Spillman of Kinston, N. C., General Sec. of the Sunday School Board. Prof. J. L. Fortney, Prin. of the Orphanage School, Rev. J. A. McKaughan of the State Mission Board, Bro. G. W. Teague of the Sandy Creek Association, M. A. Huggins, Sec. of the Educational Board and Rev. John Arch McMillian and Dr. J. H. Gorrell of the Wake Forest Faculty.

NEW PASTORS IN THE ASSOCIATION

The following ministers were recognized and welcomed as new pastors in the asociation, Rev. M. O. Alexander, First Church Thomasville, Rev. J. H. Hanes, Pastor of Westfield church, and Rev. E. C. Roach, pastor of Oak Hill and Southside churches.

Programme for the Work of the Association

The Programme Committee heretofore apointed by the moderator recommended the following order of business for the association, which was adopted:

Tuesday, September 7th.—

10:00 A. M. Devotional Exercises.

10:20 Organization.
10:30 Biblical Recorder.
11:00 Sermon, E. N. Gardner.
Afternoon Session—
1:30 State Missions.
2:30 Education and Sunday Schools.
3:30 Appointment of Committees.
3:40 Adjournment.
Wednesday, September 8th.—
9:30 Devotional Exercises, L. A. Connell.
9:45 Orphanage.
10:15 Woman's Work.
10:45 Baptist Hospital.
11:30 Foreign Missions.
Afternoon—
1:30 Home Missions.
2:00 Report of Executive Committee.
2:30 State of the Churches.
3:15 Ministerial Relief.
3:30 B. Y. P. U.
4:00 Miscelleneous Business.

COMMITTEES

The following committees were appointed by the moderator at this time:

To Nominative Executive Committee, Rev. E. N. Gardner, Rev. H. T. Penry and C. H. Teague.

On Time Place and Preacher, Dr. C. A. Owens, W. G. Fitzgerald, Rev. L. A. Connell.

On Programme for Next Year, Rev. M. O. Alexander, B. F. Cruchfield and J. D. Newton.

ANNUAL SERMON

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. E. Norfleet Gardner, pastor of the Orphanage church from Phillippians 1st Chapter, 21st verse; the subject of the sermon being "The Christians Master Passion."

The association adjourned till 1:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Prayer by Rev. J. A. McKaughan of the State Mission Board; Song by Bro. R. M. Hickman, Evangelical Music Director, from Petersburg, Va.

STATE MISSIONS

The following Report on State Mission was read by Rev. L. A. Connell:

Never before have Baptists had a larger outlook. Never before were our opportunities greater. Never before was the command of our Master, "Look, Pray, Go," more urgent and imperative than now, and never was the sin of indifference more inexcusable. And yet, in our great State, to which God has given so much wealth, education and refinement, we find vast fields of religious destitution. The primary object of State Missions is to occupy these fields. A great deal has already been accomplished along this line, but much remaines yet to be done.

There is not another enterprise under heaven that is so well calculated to stir the human heart as missions. Missions is a doctrine, not an expediency. The great achievements of the past few years have not come by chance. They are the result of a foundation laid in the beginning of the Christian Era, and builded on through the years by prayer and sacrifice of sainted men and women who have gone to their reward. They are the result of careful and persistent training of our people to the end that they might know the reason for missions is found in God's Book and God's Plan.

To many of us distance seems to "lend enchantment to the view." We burn with enthusiasm over the miseries of people far away, but are limp and nerveless as regards suffering close by. We find ourselves greatly interested in foreigners when they reside in their own land; so much so in fact, that we send our best men as missionaries to them and pay their traveling expences; but when the Lord puts it in the heart of these same foreigners to come to our shores, paying their own traveling expences, instead of rejoicing over their advent, we are sometimes inclined to turn away from them in despair. They do not look so picturesque near by.

It is needless to say that your committee believes profoundly in Foreign Missions, but we are convinced that if we do not press State Mission work to the utmost of our ability we shall dry up the source of revenue upon which both Home and Foreign Mission depend. We cannot carry on our home and Foreign Mission work on the broad plane on which it should be done except we develop at home a missionary spirit and create a broader realization of the responsibility to enlarge our State Mission operations in order to build on the result of State Mission work the foundation for carrying forward Home and Foreign Missions. Your committee would not utter one word which would be calculated to lessen the enthusiasm for Home and Foreign missions,

but the rather intensify that enthusiasm, and so declare our conviction that unless there is a larger concentration upon State missions and a larger giving to State mission work, we will dry up the spring from which alone can flow the financial waters with which to carry forward Home and Foreign missions work.

Our Great Problem

As we approach the centenial of our State Mission work, we realize that there are many problems still unsolved. The one acute problem awaiting solution is that of enlistment.

There are 2,338 white Baptist churches with total membership of 363,338 in our State Convention, and the records show that over 600 of these churches gave nothing to the Co-operative Program last year. Many of these have not been trained in New Testament stewardship, and many of our older brethren will never be enlisted, but we have a great army of young people in our churches, awaiting to be trained and led into a worthy Baptist Program for the conquest of the world for our Master.

Somehow we must find a way to enlist these non-cooperating churches.

We have entered the crucial period of State Mission effort, and the situation is grave. If North Carolina Baptist do not meet the situation by developing our people in the grace of giving, we shall fail to measure up to the greatest responsibility the Almighty has ever placed upon any denomination.

Our financial difficulties will never be solved until we have enlisted every Baptist church in the Convention in the support of the Cooperative Program budget.

The Magnitude of State Mission Work

State Missions now comprehends far more than it did a few years ago. Then it only assisted weak and struggling churches and mission points. Now it comprehends Sunday School department, B. Y. P. U. department, W. M. U. department, Student Activities, Evangelism, Negro work, and the department of Stewardship.

Our State Mission Board pays in whole or in part, the salaries of 145 missionary pastors, Corresponding Secretary, Assistant Corresponding Secretary, and one office Secretary. Four workers in the Sunday School department, three workers in the B. Y. P. U. department, one Evangelist and one negro worker in evangelistic department, three workers in Student Activities, two workers in Enlistment department, and one worker in Stewardship department. And in addition to this it maintains a summer school for preachers, and two summer assemblies.

Our Strength and Weakness.

The churches composing the Liberty Association have an en-

rollment of 4,935 members who paid less than $2.80 per capita for all denominational purposes last year. If we were good stewards of Jesus Christ our tithe would reach around $100.000 a year instead of the paltry sum of $12,000. Every Baptist a tither is the one hope of our denominational program.

The Remedy

To diagnose a case without prescribing a remedy is the expenditure of worthless effort. Your committee would, therefore recommend the formation of an instruction committee composed of a part or all the pastors in the association and an equal number of talented laymen, who shall work in pairs under the supervision of the associational director of the cooperative program, holding at least one day rally with each church; enlistment in stewardship and missions to be discussed at each church. System is the one great need in most of our churches, and if Kingdom work is ever successfully financed it must be through the adoption of the budget system and a hearty cooperation in the cooperative program.

L. A. Connell,
G. W. Miller, Committee.

The report was discussed by Rev. L. A. Connell, and Rev. J. A. McKaughan of The State Mission Board and was adopted.

The following report on Sunday Schools was read by Rev. W. L. Barrs:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The work of the Sunday school is so large and covers so much of our church life it is hard to write a correct report. We can not tell in words what the Sunday schools are doing for the world today. They are the foundation of our church work. The teaching of the child is the greatest job that we have today, the boys and girls of today will be the men and women of tomorrow and their future depends largely on the teaching that we are giving them. A large part of our church membership comes through the Sunday school. Our Sunday school should be the livest organization in all our work, getting the spirit of life and movement into our boys and girls. We are living in the fast age, everything is running in high gear and we can not change gear without hurting our machine. The only thing to do is to put on more Gas, hold tight, put more life into our dead Sunday schools.

The greatest needs in our Sunday school work today:

1. We need Superintendents that are consecrated and have a progressive spirit. In selecting a leader, we should get the best man in our church, we need men and women at the head of our

Sunday schools that believe in doing great things for our Master.

Attempt great things, expect great things, do great things.

We need more teachers with a greater vision of the great work of teaching. Jesus was not a great preacher but he was a great teacher. Our Sunday schools will be what our leaders are. The most effective teacher is the one that lives close to God; the teacher who does this will be able to lead the mind of the child to see the great power of Christ in the life and thereby accept Christ as his Savior.

In building our churches we should by all means provide rooms for the teachers in our Sunday school.

We might sound a note of warning about some of our Sunday schools being too, quick to get on the honor roll and become A 1 without meeting the required conditions.

Too many standard schools today are doing nothing in the same old building, doing things in the same old way. Away with so many things to do to get on the honor roll and lets get to the main thing, teach the word. Your committee has no special things to offer to our Sunday schools but we would urge our teachers to study their Bibles and let the great teacher of all teachers teach them and then teach as He leads.

W. L. Barrs

The report was discussed by Rev. B. W. Spillman, General Secy. of the S. S. Board and was adopted.

The following report on Christian Education was read by Prof. R. S. Lennon, Prin. of Linwood High School:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Christian Education is no new thing. It is as old as the Church of the living God. It was taught by the Patriots, Prophets, Christ and Apostles. It has been a source of strength, a safety valve to the church and the state in all generations.

Christian Education is the best form of education the world has ever had. It goes hand in hand with the State in the development of the mind and body, but it goes beyond into the realm of soul and spirit. It seeks the development of the entire man. Here is where he can get training for the greatest and highest service it is possible for him to render.

Here, we submit the names of a few of our schools: Wake Forest College, Meredith College, Boiling Springs H. S., Buies Creek Jr. College, Chowan College, Mars Hill College, Mountain View College, Wingate Jr. College. Here and at other places our sons and daughters may and should come and be supplied, being throughly equipped unto every good work. Examples of these are noticeable on nearly every hand, in the ministry, in education, in statesmanship, etc.

The work of the promoting Christian Education should not be counted a burden, but a privilege. One of the best investments one can make is an investment in Christian Education. The curriculum should be so arranged and taught as to let those who go through be prepared in the Sunday school work, B. Y. P. U. work and Stewardship and Missions. We believe that such a c ourse would yield large returns not only to Christianity and the Denomination, but also to the State..

Again, every teacher in all of our schools should be such in his or her life conviction that will back up in all of their teaching kingdom progress toward God and for man's good.

S. G. Hasty
P. C. Newton
R. S. Lennon
Committee.

The report was discussed by Prof. R. S. Lennon, M. A. Huggins Secy. of the Education Board, Rev. John Arch McMillian and Dr. J. H. Gorrell and was adopted.

The following Committee on the Digest of church letters was appointed by the moderator:

Revs. E. N. Gardner, M. O. Alexander, John R. Miller.

The association adjourned till 9:30 tomorrow morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SEPT. 7TH.

Body was called to order by the moderator, Devotional services were conducted by Rev. L. A. Connell.

The following report on Orphanage was read by M. O. Alexander:

Our Baptist people of North Carolin have always manifested the deepest interest in the welfare of helpless and dependent children. The Orphanage occupies a high and honorable place in their associational and convention programs. It is never sidetracked or ignored in our general meetings.

From the beginning of its history more than forty years ago, it has been a cherished object in our church life, and its grip on the hearts of our people grows with the passing years. From a trickling stream it has become a broad, deep river requiring a vast outlay to meet the necessities of its ever widening work.

Five hundred and eighty-seven children, including those at the Kennedy Home, were enrolled in the Orphanage in the last report. Besides directly under the care of the institution there are 373 being assisted under the "Mother's Aid" plan. The first families aided under this plan was in the year 1920; since then help has been given to 550 children. The per capita cost of aiding these children is $5.22 per month, while the cost of maintaining those at the Orphanage, including everything, is $24.92

per capita per month.

The Orphanage school has eleven grades running from the kindergarten up. Above the nursery age all the boys and girls have duties—one half the day being devoted to school and the other half to domestic, field and mechanical work A well organized church, with an active and consecrated young pastor, furnishes a fine opportunity for the development of the moral and religious life of the community. Cultivation of the missionary spirit in Sunday school, B. Y. P. U., Missionary Society, Sunbeam Bands and other agencies is especially emphasized.

Since the fervor of the 75 million campaign has passed contributions to the current fund have fallen off, last year's receipts being $30,000 less than the year before. The treasurer has been compelled to pay interest on borrowed money for the past two years.

We urge our Sunday schools to increase their monthly collections, and our churches to enlarge the Thanksgiving offerings; that every Sunday school take Charity and Children on the club plan, and that all our people give one day's income to the institution as a special thank offering.

The report was discussed by Rev. M. O. Alexander, Rev. M. L. Kesler, Bro. Mack Eddinger, and Rev. W. L. Barrs and was adopted.

The following report was read by Rev. E. N. Gardner:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

The work of the women in the Liberty Association moves on in an even, steady way but we have no marked growth or achievments to report for the year that has past. Only one society organized soon after our last annual meeting has survived to the present time—the one at Welcome—The women there seem earnestly desirous of not only doing something themselves but of training the young people and are looking forward to having an A-1 society with all the Junior organizations before another year. The discouraging feature of all our work seems to be the lack of enlistment of our young people.

Our associational meeting was held with the church at New Friendship on Aug. 19th and was most hospitably entertained. There was good attendance and with two exceptions all societies being represented by delegates.

It was decided at this meeting to employ a Training School girl for at least one month next summer, to work among the unenlisted churches and weak societies that they may become better informed and all enlisted in the work.

The present superintendent offered her resignation at this meeting and Mrs. E. N. Gardner was chosen to succeed her. Mrs.

C. M. Howell was elected Junior superintendent. With these two capable, earnest, consecrated women to lead, the work looks promising for another year.

We have to report as gifts for the past as follows:

From the W. M. S. to all missions $3020.99.

From the Junior Societies, $142.28, Total $3163.27.

A collection was taken during the day to aid in the purchase of a new engine to supply electric lights for the Kathleen Mallory hospital in China which amounted to $40.62.

The women are reporting their work this year to cover the period from March 1, 1925 through Dec. 31, 1925. Part of this report was given at our last association and as it does not cover a full year our report is necessarily somewhat less than we gave last year. This change in reporting is because of an effort to standardize our reports, letting them run with the calendar year. After this we will make the same report at our state meeting that we make at our associational meeting and it will be for the preceding year. We ask the help of the pastors and their co-operation with our efforts.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. R. S. Green,
Committee.

The report was discussed by Rev. E. N. Gardner and Mrs. E. N. Gardner and was adopted.

The following report was read by Rev. W. L. Barrs:

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Only time and space limit the wonderful story of healing and mercy the Baptist Hospital has to tell.

5,000 patients, nearly one thousand of these either charity or part pay have been served. Fathers, mothers and children from the country and the town have come and we have received them all. Their plea was heart breaking. We tried to help and for the most part sent them back well and happy. Verily in these months the blind see, the lame walk, the deaf hear and the poor have the Gospel preached unto them.

During the last year there were about 1800 patients. 400 of these were charity. These came from every part of the state. While this report is before me there are patients from Sylva, Mount Airy, Furches, Weldon, Norwood, Durham, Henderson, Sanford, Macon, Granite Falls, Marshall, Burlington and other points closer to our city. These cases cost the Hospital around $20,000.00. The number of charity cases grows every year. It looks as if we will have to care for 500 this year, or turn many worthy ones away to die. The question is, which one must we send back?

To pay for this $20,000.00 of charity we have received up to July 1st about $12,000.00 from all Mother's Day offerings. We start this year with no funds for the needs of charity and a debt on hand for what we have been doing. It is a pity to turn these good Baptist people away because they are poor and our Baptist churches will not hear their cry.

We have wonderful accommodations and facilities for helping fort, all the necessities of running a great institution. We must help the sick. We have a death record that demonstrates the power of prayer in healing the sick and yet our people cannot come because our churches have not observed Mother's Day and offered to help care for them.

We shall be compelled to turn down numbers of these worthy ones unless something is done or somebody rises up and supplies the needed funds. It is impossible to do this work without funds.

We must pay our nurses, we must provide food, proper comforts all the necessities of running a great institution. We must have the support of our people, or the Hospital cannot exist. What shall we do with these numbers who call from all over the state? Your contributions will be the answer.

The budget funds are far too small to meet the debt on the building which comes due this year. No hope can we have from that source. It is Mother's Day offering, or some other day's offering in the Sunday school or they die.

We plead for your prayers, your support and your offerings, both in sending pay patients and in giving us contributions to help the poor.

Our women are trying to build a Nurses' Home. We need this greatly. It would increase our revenue and much enlarge the opportunities for caring for charity cases. You men help the women and let's give them a place to stay. You will open 21 extra beds to the suffering Baptists of the state who long to come.

Come to our rescue, save us from starving in our infancy and we will bless you in the years to come with a glorious service.

J. E. Hobgood
W. G. Barrs
Committee.

The report was discussed by Rev. John Arch McMillian, Rev. M. L. Kesler, Rev. W. L. Barrs and Archibald Johnson and was adopted.

The following report was read by Rev. John R. Miller:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, is the agency through which the Baptist churches of Southern States cooperate, to give the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the

the whole world. It closed the eighty-first year of its work on the 30th of last April. There has been a steady growth through all these years; but last year has been the best in all the years of the Board's history.

We herewith give some facts that should be carried to all the churches of this Association. There were 13269 persons baptized on our foreign mission fields last year, a gain of 1135 over the previous year. Total membership is now 140,488. 1215 churches, 557 of which are self supporting. These churches contributed last year $444,258, an average of about $4.00 per member; many churches in our home-land sadly fail to make such a glorious record.

We have on foreign fields 1818 Sunday schools with an enrollment of 76,991 schollars—586 women's societies with 13,649 members, 574 young people's societies with a membership of 13868. All of our schools on the foreign field, from the kindergarden to the Seminaries, number 920; with a student body of 36,893. More than fifty per cent of the baptisms reported last year, came from the students of our schools. Our medical missions have been a great asset for good in our work; the past year there were 214,910 treatments administered to 69,583 patients, 5498 of these were received into our hospitals.

Last year the work of the Foreign Mission Board began with an almost unbreakable debt, but with the regular contributions to our co-operative program, and some designated gifts, and especially gifts from the Christmas Thank Offering, this debt was substantially reduced; yet with all this, at the beginning of this year, there remained a debt of $727,000.

For more than three years, because of these tremendous debts, the Foreign Mission Board has had to pursue a program of retrenchment. No new missionaries have been sent out. No new fields or out stations have been occupied. Salaries of the missionaries have been reduced, many of our local workers have been cut off, and many of our schools closed, and all this, when the calls of need are greatest, and when we are reaping the largest harvests that our foreign mission work has ever known.

The burden of this situation is a question that rests entirely upon the churches here in the home-land. Hundreds of young men and women are now ready, prepared and anxious to go—the calls for help are distressing and the opportunities are greater than they have ever been in all the history of the world. The only hindrance to the giving of the gospel to a lost world, to day, is a lack of means (money) with which to answer these calls. We southern Baptists have the means; will we let God have His part, that the lost nations of the earth may know of th plan of

.ERNOON SES

So.. ~, local church choir.

Prayer by E. C. Roach, pastor of Southside and Oak Hill churches.

The following report was read by Sam J. Smith:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

Our denominational papers have given most hearty commendation of the Home Mission Work for the past year. The Board made a glorious report to the Southern Baptist Convention in Houston, Texas, last May.

Notwithstanding the receipts were more than $100,000 short of those of the previous year, the year's work was most gratifying. Conversions and baptisms were numerous. The Home Board for years has been recognized as probably the greatest

[redacted] institutes at once [redacted] world for Christian civilization. [redacted] everywhere are beginning to realize this. Problems at home are as serious and complicated as those beyond the seas.

Our country has become notorious for its disrespect for law, for its numerous murders, for its commercialism and materialism. Nothing but the mighty power of the Gospel of Christ will save us from this deluge of worldly diversion and material prosperity. These things constitute a most serious problem which deserves the thoughtful consideration of our Convention. Our work abroad will advance apace as we lay the foundation at home.

The Board furnishes free of cost excellent tracts and leaflets on all phases of its work at headquarters, 804 Wynne-Claughton Building, Atlanta, Georgia.

Your Committee most cordially recommends that every church and individual in our bounds study this great department of our

work and pray earnestly and give liberally for its success.

Respectfully submitted,

Ira Freeman

W. D. Spurgeon

And was adopted.

The committee appointed to nominate an executive committee recommended the following brethern:

M. L. Kesler, G. W. Miller, L. E. Teague, D. S. Hayworth, C. C. Wrenn and W. H. Lomax. The recommendation was adopted and the above named brethren were elected to compose the executive committee.

Th committee heretofore named on time place and preacher recommended the following:

Time—Tuesday after the First Sunday in Sept. 1927.

Place—Thomasville, First Church.

Preacher—Rev. H. T. Penry, Alternate Rev. E. F. Mumford. Which was adopted.

The following report was read by Rev. H. T. Penry:

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES

The Churches of the Association have done the best work in its history judging from the reports that come to us from the various fields and churches. They have made a decided step forward along various lines, the evanglistic effort has been indeed constructive and prominent in the mind of the pastors and Sunday school workers. In a large way we are sure than before, the Sunday schools have increased their enrollment and their average attendance. There are now five standard schools in the association. The largest number of seals has been delivered for books studied in teacher training work. The work of the W.M.U. has grown in interest, also the B. Y. P. U. has made material progress. No attempt is made here to report in detail the work of the B. Y. P. U. or the W. M. U. as that will be done by the reporters for that work. New churches are being built, new Sunday schools rooms are being built and others are being planned for. Also new fields are formed, with new homes built for pastors.

There has been a decided falling away in the contribution to the objects of the co-operative program, but this has been met with a stronger note of Stewardship by the pastors and just now we think that there is an indication of more healthy system of giving on the part of the individual in asmuch as it seems to be an actuating principal instead of a potted plant.

No attempt will be made to give financial reports from churches or fields as the Associational letters will show that.

We would suggest however that each pastor say just a word here regarding his work, as a matter of information for the body.

H. T. Penry

The report was discussed by Rev. E. N. Gardner, Rev. M. O. Alexander, Rev. L. A. Connell, Dr. C. A. Owens, F. B. Hamrick, Rev. M. L. Kesler, Rev. John R. Miller, Rev. W. L. Barrs, Rev. H. T. Penry, G. W. Miller, Rev. E. C. Roach and W. G. Fitzgerald.

And was adopted.

The following report was read by M. L. Kesler:

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

There are three fields in the Association that have received help from the Board of Missions during the year:

The Denton field, Erlanger and Southside at Thomasville.

Your committee has not thought it wise to aid single country churches, long established, and especially those with absentee pastors. The Denton field does, however, include some old churches but the purpose was to enable the field to hold a good strong man long enough to develop the churches into efficiency and self support. The Denton field, under the leadership of Brother L. A. Connell is a demonstration. The results are not altogether satisfactory, but there has been definite improvement, especially at Denton and Liberty, and the other churches have been stimulated. It is hoped that this group will be self supporting.

Erlanger is an important field and a real opportunity. Brother Freeman is doing a fine piece of work there. This church has had most discouraging experience in securing a suitable church building. Two efforts have been made. The third effort promises success. A suitable lot has at last been secured and preparation is being made for a house to meet their needs.

Southside has accomplished very little this year. It has changed pastors with some attendant confusion. Brother Roach, who has recently taken charge, is making an earnest effort to put this important work on its feet.

We have also considered the advisability of launching a work at South Lexington. This, of course, would be under the guidance of the First Church of Lexington.

M. L. Kesler, Chairman,
Executive Committee.

And was adopted.

The following report was read by Dr. C. A. Owens.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF

When the Master sent forth his disciples on their mission of

mercy, of preaching, healing and teaching, he declared the laborer worthy of his hire. That a majority of faithful ministers receive inadequate compensation in the midst of their labors and are sadly neglected in old age is a statement that will go unchallenged.

It is a matter for profound rejoicing that our denomination is undertaking the task of providing for our worn out ministers, their dependent widows and children. This is being accomplished through the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, located in Dallas, Texas. Dr. William Lunsford is the corresponding secretary, and Rev. Thomas J. Watts, associate secretary. North Carolina is in full co-operation with this Board.

For the information of our people a few facts and figures have been gleaned from the report of the Board to the last session of the Convention.

Relief Department:

Ministers	611
Widows	424
Dependent children	150

One hundred and sixty-four new beneficiaries were added to the roll during the past year. Deaths reported, 55 ministers and 30 widows. The relief beneficiaries received during the year $125,933.23.

The Board is rendering large aid to states which are wholly unable to provide for their retired preachers. There was but little hope for a large class of our dependent preachers until the Relief and Annuity Board was organized.

In addition to the Relief Department, the Board has an Annuity Department, offering a co-operative plan whereby ministers can provide annuities for themselves at retirement or for their families in the event of death. This plan is to be greatly improved, and in brief, will enable churches and pastors to co-operate in payment of annuities. We urge our pastors to inform themselves as to the details of this plan, to secure for themselves its benefits, and to enlighten our churches on the subject. We further recommend that our churches co-operate faithfully in the work of the Board to the end that our worthy ministers who have paid the last full measure of devotion may not suffer the pangs of poverty, being neglected by the people who have been made rich by their labors.

Respectfully submitted,

C. M. Wall.

The report was discussed by Dr. C. A. Owens and was adopted.

B. Y. P. U. REPORT

The following report was read by Edwin Lanier.

The Associational B. Y. P. U. is, comparatively speaking, a new organization; it is to say the least, in its infancy in the Liberty Association, for it is just now experiencing its second year of existence. As it now exists, it is true that it cannot function nearly so effectively as we hope that it may work in the future. Officers of the Association are elected annually at a convention held for that purpose, and also for the more important purpose of creating a spirit of helpfulness among all the unions of the Association, for the inspirational nad educational values received thereby.

An Association has its president who has general oversight of the work; along with him there are vice-presidents who have charge of the work in specified groups. There is also a secertary-treasurer, a junior leader, and a chorister. With these officials, definite responsibility is fixed upon individuals for the performance of special duties. Some of our Associational B. Y. P. U.'s do not have paid leadership, and the leaders, therefore, cannot take the time properly to perform the duties assigned, and effectively to carry on the B. Y. P. U. work in the districts. On the other hand, there are a number of Associational leaders who receive salaries for their work, and devote full time to that work. They earn their livelihood thereby, just as does the Pastor of the church. We need leadership which can every day be busy in the training of the youth of the Association. Of course, we cannot get any person to do this unless he is paid. The B. Y. P. U. is doing more for the training of the children than any other organization. There is no limit to what can be done. It is the hope that this Liberty Associational B. Y. P. U. will soon be able to employ a man to supervise this great work, extending and helping further the cause of the B. Y. P. U.. work in our own communities.

At the Liberty Associational B. Y. P. U. convention held May 30, 1926 at the First Baptist Church in Lexington, upon recommendation it was decided that a banner would be offered to the union in the association making the best record. The banner will be awarded at the convention next summer, and is being given in the hope of creating interest in, and extending the work of, the B. Y. P. U. During the past year, many of our unions have attained the standard of excellence. One of the unions in this Association, the Boone Senior of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, was awarded the State Banner by the State B. Y. P. U. Convention held at Meredith College, Raleigh, in June. One of our workers, Rev. E. N. Gardner Pastor of the Thomasville Orphanage Church was elected head of the B. Y.

P. U. work in the state.

Before the organization of the Associational B. Y. P. U. there were eleven active unions, with a total of 385 members. There are now 33 unions and over 700 young people are enrolled in B. Y. P. U. work. Group meetings are being planned for the Association, and a district meeting for the West Central District of the State is to be held nearby.

Respectfully submitted,
Adrian Newton,
Asso. B. Y. P. U. Pres.

Officers of the Liberty Associational B. Y. P. U.

Adrian Newton, Lexington, Associational President.
Elizabeth Smith, Lexington, Associational Vice President.
Prevette Westmoreland, Thomasville, Associational Vice Pres.
A. L. Snider, Denton, Associational Vice President.
Mrs. C. M. Howell, Thomasville, Junior and Intermediate Leader.
Ruth Harmon, Thomasville Orphanage, Sec'y-Treasurer.
L. W. Hansel, Thomasville Chorister.
Eva Culp, Thomasville, Pianist.

Groups

Thomasville— Thomasville First Church, Thomasville Orphanage, Southside, New Friendship, Oak Hill, Abbotts Creek, Wallburg.

Lexington— Lexington First Church, Erlanger, Tabernacle, Churchland, Reeds, Jersey, Smith's Grove, Center Hill, Stoner's Grove, Welcome.

Denton— Denton First Church, Summerville, Taylor's Grove, Liberty, Lick Creek, Holloways, Gravel Hill, Westfield, Walter's, Grove, Holloways.

And was adopted.

CO-OPERATIVE PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND AMOUNT APPORTIONED TO EACH CHURCH.

Rev. E. N. Gardner was elected director of the Co-operative program for next year.

The amount recommended to be raised in the Liberty Association by the State Board, was apportioned among the different churches as follows:

Abbotts Creek	$ 824
Center Hill	300
Churchland	800
Denton	500
Gravel Hill	83
Holloways	400

Jersey	500
Lexington	2536
Liberty	181
Lick Creek	100
New Friendship	300
Oak Hill	100
Orphanage	2000
Reeds Cross Roads	200
Rich Fork	217
Smith Grove	200
Southside	100
Stoner's Grove	400
Summerville	200
Tabernacle	321
Taylor's Grove	26
Thomasville	2000
Wallburg	630
Walters Grove	25
Welcome	200
Westfield	75

The following resolution was offered:

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

Resolved: That we, the members of the Liberty Association express our deep appreciation to the Rich Fork Baptist Church for the kind and generous hospitality we have received while here. We most heartly congratulate the church on the erection of a beautiful new church house.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

J. D. Newton was elected delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention.

C. M. Wall was elected delegate to the State Baptist Convention.

M. L. Kesler was elected to represent the association on the State Mission Board.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee reported the sum of $46.75 raised for the printing of the minutes etc.

INCREASE OF MINUTE FUND

Motion was made and adopted that the clerk of the association be authorized to increase the minute fund apportionment, making th etotal for the association not less than $125.00

B. Y. P. U. LEADER

A. J. Newton was elected B. Y. P. U. Leader for next year.

It was voted by the association that the proceedings of the Woman's Missionary Union which was held with the church at New Friendship on August 19, 1926 be included in the minutes.

After benediction the association adjourned.

Archibald Johnson, Moderator.
Sam J. Smith, Clerk.

THOSE THAT HAVE GONE TO THEIR REWARD SINCE OUR LAST ASSOCIATION

Since the last annual meeting of our Association, 34 members of our churches have been called from earthly labors to the blessed home above, prepared for the redeemed. Since we are only human we can but sorrow at this separation, but "We sorrow not as those who have not hope", for our grief is softened and chastened by the sweet thought that some bright day we shall meet them again in our Father's house above.

Twenty of our churches report deaths as follows:

Abbotts Creek— Mr. P. F. Rothrock, Mr. N. R. Teague and Mrs. Margaret Horney.

Center Hill— Mrs. Martha Staley.

Churchland— Mr. R. C. Sowers, (Two deaths reported, but only one name given.)

Gravel Hill— Mrs. J. C. Loftin.

Jersey— Mr. W. F. Miller and Mr. D. C. Sharp.

Lick Creek— Mrs B. C. Cole.

Lexington— Mrs. Robert Parker, Mr. C. Lee Lopp and Mr. Thos. Grubb.

Liberty— Mr. W. T. Miller.

New Friendship— Mr. James Crawford.

Oak Hill— Two deaths reported, but names not given.

Reeds— Mr. R. B. Myers, Mr. Jeffi Lanning, Mr. Howard Michael and Mrs. A. J. Perryman.

Rich Fork— Mrs. John W. Kennedy and Mrs. Philip Eddinger.

SouthSide— Miss Donnie Byerly and Mr. J. W. Moore.

Summerville— Mrs. Adeline Bean and Mrs. Mary Rogers.

Tabernacle— Mrs. Nancy Carter.

Taylors Grove— Mrs. Annie Summey.

Thomasville— Mr. J. L. Kiser.

Wallburg— Mrs. Josie Smith and Mrs. Phebe Hine.

Walters Grove— Mrs. Thomas Byerly.

Westfield— Mr. E. L. Crotts.

Minutes of the W. M. U. of the Liberty Association

The twentieth annual meeting of the Liberty Woman's Missionary Union was held with the New Friendship Church, August 19, 1926.

After the opening hymn, "Have Thine Own Way Lord", the superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Green conducted the devotional exercises, reading scriptures appropriate to her subject, "The Beauty of Holiness." This was followed by prayer by Rev John R. Miller. The address of welcome was given by Miss Lelia Motsinger, and the response by Mrs. Alda Craver, of Reeds Church.

Reports, with some comments, were presented from the societies of the association. The following visitors were recognized: Rev. John R. Miller, pastor of the New Friendship Church, Mrs. J. J. Roddick, Supt. of the Pilot Mountain W. M. U., and Mrs. D. A. Price, of Concord.

Report of officers as follows:

Secretary-Treasurer, $25.48 in the treasury.

Mission Study Superintendent, Fourteen Study Classes and twenty-two seals.

Personal service chairman showed that four of the societies especially had been right active in the distribution of garments, food, fruit, Bibles and good literature and in visiting the sick and shut-ins and holding religious services with them.

A vocal solo, "His Almighty Hand", was rendered by Miss Lois Miller. The Superintendent, Mrs Green, took for the subject of her annual address, "Going Forward" and gave an encouraging and appreciative message as she asked that she be relieved of the superintendent's office at this meeting.

Mission Literature was discussed under the following heads: Home and Foreign Fields, by Mrs. B. F. Lee; Royal Service, by Mrs. B. C. Philpott.

Biblical Recorder by Mrs. Winona Swaim.

An address on Stewardship was delivered by Mrs. J. J. Roddick. After a song: "Onward Christian Soldiers", the condition of the electrical apparatus in the Kathleen Mallory Hospital in China was made known and an offering taken to help defray the expenses of repairs for same amounting to $41.62.

The subject of employing a young woman from our Training School for one month next summer to visit societies and help in enlarging our work was discussed. A motion was made and carried to secure this worker.

After the appointment of committees the meeting adjourned for dinner.

The afternoon session was opened by singing the hymn, "He Leadeth Me." Devotional exercises were conducted by Miss Roxie Sheets who used a part of the third chapter of Malachi for her message.

Minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

After a song by the three little Palmer sisters of Jersey, the New Friendship Sunbeams rendered an interesting program.

A pageant in song was given by the G. A.s of the Thomasville church.

Reports were received from the Junior societies of the association.

The Week of Prayer was discussed by Mrs. T. H. Tomlinson and Programs by Mrs. Mary Davis.

Song, "Listen to the Whispers of Jesus" by the Palmer sisters.

W. M. U. specials were discussed as follows:

The S. S. Board and the Bible Fund, Miss Sallie McCracken; Margaret Fund and Expense Fund, Mrs. Eula Keeling; The Louisville Training School, Miss Lois Miller; Blanche Barrus Nurses' Home, Mrs J. J. Roddick.

The committees presented the following reports:

Nominating Committee:

Superintendent, Mrs. E. N. Gardner, Associate Superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Green, Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Sallie L. McCracken; Mission Study Superintendent, Miss Roxie Sheets; Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. Luther Curry; Junior Superintendent, Mrs. C. M. Howell.

Mrs. D. F. Conrad,
Mrs. Mary Davis,
Miss Lelia Motsinger,
Mrs. D. S. Hayworth,
Mrs. C. C. Pritchard,
Committee

Time and Place:

Your committee reports Thomasville as the place for the next meeting and the time, third Thursday in August, 1927.

Mrs. Alda Craver,
Mrs. B. F. Lee,
Miss Tela Beanblossom,
Committee.

Resolutions:

We, the members of the W. M. U. of the Liberty Association do express our heartly thanks and deep appreciation to the ladies and pastor of the New Friendship Church for their cordial wel-

come and kind hospitality to us. We also wish to express our appreciation of the attractive decorations for the church and for the bountiful dinner so beautifully served at the noon hour.

Mrs. C. M. Wall,
Mrs. R. L. Palmer,
Mrs. S. D. Swaim,
Committee

Obituaries:

The death of one of our members, Mrs. D. F. Summey, of Lexington, has been reported. "Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord; they do rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

Mrs. J. B. Motsinger,
Mrs. B. R. Cross,
Mrs. A. S. Miller,
Committee.

The amount given by the W. M. U. and auxiliary societies for the last ten months in 1925 is $3,149.72. This change in making reports was made in order to bring the associational year in line with the calendar year, the same plan being adopted by all the associations in the state.

A standing vote of thanks and appreciation was given our retiring Superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Green, for faithfulness and efficiency during the years of her service.

After singing "Blest be the Tie that Binds" the meeting was adjourned with prayer by Mrs. Roddick.

W. M. U. TABLE

SOCIETIES	PRESIDENTS	Y. W. A.	G. A.	S. B.	W.M.S. Local	Benevolence	Total
Abbotts Creek	Miss Minnie Hayworth					177.50	178.50
Churchland	Mrs. W. A. Beeker					28.35	28.35
Denton	Mrs. Mary Davis					114.10	114.10
Holloways	Mrs. W. H. Johnson			3.20		55.25	59.45
Jersey	Mrs. R. L. Palmer					112.31	113.31
Lexington	Miss Roxie Sheets		10.25	15.00	125.00	676.35	836.60
New Friendship	Mrs. W. J. Griffin			46.87		44.87	94.74
Orphanage	Miss Sallie L. McCracken			27.86		1044.46	1076.82
Reeds	Mrs. Alda Craver			12.59		28.10	40.69
Stoners Grove	Miss Essie May Wrenn			12.54		66.62	80.16
Thomasville	Mrs. R. S. Green	2.85	18.35	4.36		430.60	462.96
Wallburg						63.05	63.05
	TOTALS	2.85	28.60	122.42	125.00	2841.56	3149.73

B. Y. P. U. TABLE

CHURCHES	Presidents and Postoffices	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	A-1 Standard	Daily Bible Readers	Systematic Givers in All Unions
Abbotst Creek	Floyd Teague, Kernersville	.....	1	.....	1	.....	35	.....	35	.....	.....	.....
Denton	Miss Hazel Russell, Denton	1	1	1	3	12	27	32	71	3	17	28
	Irene Gallimore, Denton											
	Vonceil Connell, Denton											
Holloways	Ottis Hedrick, High Rock	1	.....	.....	1	35	.....	.....	35	1	.....	.....
Jersey	Miss Elizabeth Smith, Linwood	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	25	25	1	6	.....
Lexington	Miss Violet Cross, Lexington	1	.....	1	2	26	20	.....	46	.....	9	10
	Mrs. Fred Wilson, Lexington											
Orphanage	Edith Lee, Thomasville	3	3	3	9	75	85	85	245	8	200	200
	Pauline Stanley, Thomasville											
	Miss Pearl Jones, Thomasville											
	Rev. E. N. Gardner, Thomasville											
Reeds	Mary Craver, Lexington, R. 3	.....	1	.....	1	.....	21	.....	21	.....	.....	.....
Rich Fork	Frank Everhart, Thomasville	1	.....	.....	1	27	.....	.....	27	.....	.....	.....
Tabernacle	Miss Edna Hegler, Erlanger	1	.....	.....	1	25	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....
Thomasville	Miss Eva Culp, Thomasville	1	1	1	3	24	20	32	76	1	43	52
	Miss Ila Jalmson, Thomasville											
	Mrs. C. M. Howell, Thomasville											
Wallburg	Howard Mumford, Wallburg	.....	1	.....	1	15	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....
	Mamie Green, Wallburg											
	TOTALS	9	8	7	24	239	208	174	621	14	275	290

W. M. U. TABLE

SOCIETIES	PRESIDENTS	Y. W. A.	G. A.	S. B.	W.M.S. Local	Benevolence	Total
Abbotts Creek	Miss Minnie Hayworth					177.50	178.50
Churchland	Mrs. W. A. Beeker					28.35	28.35
Denton	Mrs. Mary Davis					114.10	114.10
Holloways	Mrs. W. H. Johnson			3.20		55.25	59.45
Jersey	Mrs. R. L. Palmer					112.31	113.31
Lexington	Miss Roxie Sheets		10.25	15.00	125.00	676.35	836.60
New Friendship	Mrs. W. J. Griffin			46.87		44.87	94.74
Orphanage	Miss Sallie L. McCracken			27.86		1044.46	1076.82
Reeds	Mrs. Alda Craver			12.59		28.10	40.69
Stoners Grove	Miss Essie May Wrenn			12.54		66.62	80.16
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	Irene Gallimore, Denton											
	Vonceil Connell, Denton											
Holloways	Ottis Hedrick, High Rock	1	.....	.....	1	35	.....	.....	35	1	.....	.....
Jersey	Miss Elizabeth Smith, Linwood	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	25	25	1	6	.....
Lexington	Miss Violet Cross, Lexington	1	.....	1	2	26	20	.....	46	.....	9	10
	Mrs. Fred Wilson, Lexington											
Orphanage	Edith Lee, Thomasville	3	3	3	9	75	85	85	245	8	200	200
	Pauline Stanley, Thomasville											
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Reeds	Mary Craver, Lexington, R. 3	.....	1	.....	1	.....	21	.....	21	.....	.....	.....
Rich Fork	Frank Everhart, Thomasville	1	.....	.....	1	27	.....	.....	27	.....	.....	.....
Tabernacle	Miss Edna Hegler, Erlanger	1	.....	.....	1	25	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....
Thomasville	Miss Eva Culp, Thomasville	1	1	1	3	24	20	32	76	1	43	52
	Miss Ila Jalmson, Thomasville											
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Wallburg	Howard Mumford, Wallburg	.....	1	.....	1	15	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	.....
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MEMBERSHIP AND CHURCH PROPERTY TABLE

CHURCH	PASTOR AND POSTOFFICE	CLERK AND POSTOFFICE	Church Membership								General Information					Church Property						
			Gains				Losses															
			Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Deaths	Total Members	Regular Days of Meeting	Village, Town, City, Country	When Constituted	Revivals	Families Receiving State Paper	Materials Used	Persons Seated	No. Rooms	Value Church & Grounds	Value Pastors Home	Total Value Property
Abbotts Creek	E. F. Mumford, Wallburg	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point, R. 4	16	1			4	1	2	191	3d	Co	1758	1	12	Wood	400	1	2000.00		2000.00
Center Hill	H. T. Penry, Southmont	Annie Owens, Lexington, R. 6	10	5			15		1	149	3d	Co	1907	1	8	Wood	400	1	3000.00		3000.00
Churchland	Without pastor	A. C. Kesler, Linwood					2		2	237	1st, 3d	V	1837	1	10	Wood	350	9	10000.00	3000.00	13000.00
Denton	L. A. Connell, Denton	A. L. Snider, Denton	11				5	1		229	Every	T	1891	1	15	Wood	600	6	6150.00	4000.00	10150.00
Gravel Hill	R. L. West, Albemarle	E. M. Russell, N. H. Academy		4			1		1	83	2d	Co	1901	1	1	Wood	500	1	1000.00		1000.00
Holloways	H. T. Penry, Southmont	G. C. Palmer, High Rock, R. 1	1	1			3			197	2d, 4th	Co	1831	1	10	Wood	500	1	2000.00	1000.00	3000.00
Lexington	Dr. C. A. Owens, Lexington	A. J. Newton, Lexington	25	20			13		3	737	Every	Cy	1882	1	50	Brick	750	20	85500.00	11000.00	96600.00
Liberty	L. A. Connell, Denton	H. P. May, Thomasville						2	1	150	3d	Co	1829	1	6	Wood	400	5	7500.00		7500.00
Lick Creek	L. A. Connell, Denton	P. M. Snider, High Rock	11				2	1	1	105	1st	Co	1808	1	5	Wood	500	1	5000.00		5000.00
New Friendship	John R. Miller, Kernersville	A. J. Hartman, Winston, R. 4	16		1		2		1	166	1st, 3d	Co	1833	2	30	Brick	500	1	5000.00		5000.00
Oak Hill	E. C. Roach, Trinity	Mrs. J. L. Welborne, Thomasville	14	9		1	10	2	2	63	1st, 3d	Co	1884	1		Wood	200	1	1500.00		1500.00
Orphanage	F. N. Gardner, Thomasville	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	18	26		1	37			346	Every	Cy	1891	1	20	Brick	500	Property of the Orphanage			
Reeds	Without pastor	Arlie Myers, Lexington, R. 3					7	4	4	225	2d, 4th	V	1839	1	10	Wood	350	10	4000.00	3000.00	7000.00
Rich Fork	W. L. Barrs, Welcome	T. H. Small, Thomasville	25				3	2	2	203	1st, 3d	Co	1884	1	15	Brick	800	9	25000.00		25000.00
Smith Grove	Without pastor	L. T. Yarbrough, Salisbury, R. 7								116		Co	1908		2	Wood	300	1	2000.00		2000.00
Southside	E. C. Roach, Thomasville	J. T. Scroggs, Thomasville	11		2		20		2	98	2d, 4th	T	1919	1	4	Wood	300	3	2000.00		2000.00
Stoners Grove	H. T. Penry, Southmont	Mrs. A. F. Wafford, Linwood	2	1	1		6	5		160	Every	V	1900	1	6	Wood	500	7	3000.00	2500.00	5500.00
Summerville	E. M. Brooks, Albemarle	J. L. Carrick, High Rock	10						2	259	1st	Co	1873	1		Wood	500	1	2000.00		2000.00
Tabernacle	Ira Freeman, Erlanger	Miss Etta Beck, Erlanger	3	20	2		18	2	1	206	Every	T	1916	1	5	Wood	600	2	6500.00		6500.00
Taylors Grove	R. L. West, Albemarle	D. M. Summey, Lexington					4		1	8	3d	Co	1900	1		Wood	300	1	1500.00		1500.00
Thomasville	M. O. Alexander, Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	5	28			19		1	435	Every	Cy	1859	1	43	Brick	500	8	35000.00	3500.00	38500.00
Wallburg	E. F. Mumford, Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	2	3			8		2	168	2d, 4th	V	1892	1	10	Brick	700	10	10000.00		10000.00
Walters Grove	L. A. Connell, Denton	J. T. Pierce, Cid							1	66	4th	Co	1913		1	Wood	150	1	500.00		500.00
Welcome	W. L. Barrs, Welcome	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	22	8						103	1st, 3d	V	1911	1	6	Wood	500	1	4000.00	4000.00	8000.00
Westfield	I. H. Haynes, Jamestown	R. A. Summey, Fullers	17		2		5		1	73	2d, 4th	Co	1912	1	2	Wood	500	1	2000.00		2000.00
Jersey	H. T. Penry, Southmont	W. L. Roach, Linwood, R. 2	1	1			2		2	199	1, 2, 4	Co	1755	1	6	Brick	500	1	8000.00		8000.00
		TOTALS	220	127	8	2	186	20	33	4972				25	277		12100	103	234150.00	32000.00	266150.00

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCH	TREASURER & POSTOFFICE	For Support of Local Church Work										For Support of Missions, Education and Benevolence									
		Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building & Repairs	Incidentals	S. S. & B.Y.P.U. Expenses	Local Poor	Minute Fund	Other Objects	Home Total	Cooperative Program	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	State & Asso. Missions	Christian Education	Orphanage	Hospitals	Ministerial Relief	Denominational Total	Grand Total
Abbotts Creek	C. E. Spurgeon, High Point	200.00	100.00	.....	735.90	.....	77.50	.....	5.00	.....	1118.40	165.25	88.55	.....	15.00	.....	383.25	47.00	.....	699.05	1817.45
Center Hill	R. B. Sheets, Lexington, R. 6	286.00	.....	50.00	22.00	14.00	42.01	.....	3.00	85.34	502.35	23.75	55.11	.....	50.00	3.50	135.19	28.50	.....	296.05	298.40
Churchland	L. E. Rickard, Linwood	400.00	50.00	.....	2500.00	56.50	67.72	.....	.....	150.00	3224.22	34.49	6.02	.....	.....	.....	125.34	.....	.....	165.85	3390.07
Denton	Mrs. Mary E. Davis, Denton	800.00	.....	103.15	58.65	.....	86.92	.....	5.00	60.28	1114.00	428.00	17.07	12.90	24.22	.....	95.76	4.51	.....	582.46	1696.46
Gravel Hill	James Vuncannon, N H Academy	325.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	.....	1.50	.....	251.50	.....	2.90	.....	3.60	.....	7.50	2.50	.....	16.50	268.00
Holloways	D. R. Beanblossom, High Rock	400.00	50.00	.....	20.00	.....	46.00	.....	.....	.....	516.00	103.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	54.45	25.00	.....	182.45	698.45
Jersey	O. F. Tate, Linwood	500.00	.....	53.00	.....	.....	21.00	.....	5.00	2.00	581.00	111.22	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	16.67	.....	152.89	733.89
Lexington	S. L. Owen, Lexington	3600.00	1140.00	436.50	1223.28	821.03	382.98	99.98	20.00	1375.00	9098.77	500.00	295.54	56.26	153.75	1283.00	1040.23	133.00	19.00	3480.78	12579.55
Liberty	N. T. Kindley, Thomasville	250.00	.....	54.75	.....	.....	79.75	.....	2.50	25.00	412.00	.....	31.29	.....	.....	.....	12.74	.....	.....	44.03	456.03
Lick Creek	R. E. Reid, High Rock	175.00	42.00	.....	.....	.....	6.00	.....	3.00	.....	226.00	75.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	.....	.....	100.00	326.00
New Friendship	C. F. Motsinger, W-Salem, R. 5	600.00	.....	107.25	24.61	66.75	58.70	.....	4.00	25.75	887.06	138.04	73.37	23.88	12.00	14.59	136.60	33.58	.....	432.06	1319.12
Oak Hill	Fred Shuler Thomasville	300.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	2.00	.....	312.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	312.00
Orphanage	Miss Sallie McCracken, Thom'lle	1200.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	78.50	.....	10.00	116.42	1404.92	464.26	616.10	259.31	257.93	313.54	477.70	159.46	49.37	2596.67	4001.59
Reeds	A. R. Craver, Lexington, R. 3	600.00	.....	.....	200.00	55.00	100.00	.....	.....	25.00	980.00	.....	.....	34.80	.....	.....	25.80	.....	.....	60.60	1040.60
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	300.00	.....	.....	4551.00	340.00	65.00	.....	4.00	60.00	5320.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5320.00
Smith Grove	L. T. Yarbrough, Salisbury	150.00	.....	58.00	.....	5.00	.....	20.00	.....	.....	233.00	18.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.00	251.00
Southside	J. T. Scroggs, Thomasville	301.50	.....	45.00	.....	49.22	36.36	.....	.....	75.00	507.08	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	25.00	.....	.....	35.00	5420.08
Stoners Grove	B. E. Wafford, Linwood, R. 2	750.00	.....	40.00	11.00	43.53	62.50	6.60	5.00	216.70	1135.33	49.09	18.90	12.20	13.24	9.99	169.09	21.75	.....	294.26	1429.59
Summerville	L. L. Carrick, High Rock, R. 1	200.00	91.00	.....	.....	8.37	16.00	1.35	2.00	2.16	320.88	32.59	.....	.....	.....	.....	2.16	.....	.....	34.75	355.63
Tabernacle	J. S. Bishop, Erlanger	2406.00	110.00	.....	250.00	65.	198.80	.....	3.00	.....	3026.80	.....	.....	.....	35.00	.....	35.00	.....	.....	70.00	3096.80
Taylors Grove	Miss Grace Bailey, Tuckertown	100.00	9.50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	.....	110.50	5.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10.00	.....	.....	15.00	125.50
Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	2150.00	450.00	.....	2046.76	.....	588.89	66.28	10.00	108.12	5420.05	1143.31	178.50	12.00	77.15	21.09	642.28	94.88	.....	2169.21	7589.26
Wallburg	C. C. Smith, Wallburg	500.00	.....	70.63	162.45	.....	128.94	40.00	5.00	.....	907.02	475.65	.....	.....	.....	17.21	225.51	31.50	10.25	760.12	1667.14
Walters Grove	J. T. Pierce, Cid, R. 1	22.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22.00	1.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.00	23.00
Welcome	E. S. Craver, Welcome	250.00	.....	65.00	575.00	20.00	30.00	.....	2.00	35.00	977.00	.....	8.11	16.70	20.22	12.00	43.10	10.00	10.00	120.00	1097.13
Westfield	J. C. Loftin, Fullers	150.	.....	20.00	.....	.....	3.50	.....	2.00	.....	175.50	.....	1.00	2.00	2.50	.....	10.00	2.00	.....	17.50	193.00
	TOTALS	16809.50	2042.50	1103.28	12380.65	1544.40	2212.07	234.21	95.00	2361.77	38783.38	3767.65	1391.46	430.05	674.61	1674.92	3706.70	610.35	88.62	12344.36	51127.74

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Pastors and Postoffice

M. O. Alexander.....Thomasville, N. C.
Paul V. Berry.....Denton, N. C.
Earl Bradley.....Asheville, N. C.
P. D. Buck.....Asheboro, N. C.
E. M. Brooks.....Albemarle, N. C.
R. C. Foster.....Linwood, N. C.
Ira Freeman.....Erlanger, N. C.
E. N. Gardner.....Thomasville, N. C.
J. H. Hanes.....Jamestown, N. C.
John R. Miller.....Kernersville, N. C.
E. F. Mumford.....Wallburg, N. C.
C. A. Owens.....Lexington, N. C.
H. T. Penry.....Southmont, N. C.
E. C. Roach.....Jamestown, N. C.
R. L. West.....Albemarle, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS LIVING IN THE ASSOCIATION WHO ARE NOT PASTORS

L. A. Connell.....Denton, N. C.
Dr. M. L. Kesler, Supt. of Orphanage.....Thomasville, N. C.
W. O. Nanney.....Lexington, N. C.
J. D. Newton.....Thomasville, N. C.
John Needham.....Lexington, N. C.
B. L. West, Supt. Pilot Consolidated School, Thomasville, N. C.
Ronald Wall.....Lexington, N. C.

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Arthur R. Gallimore

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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G. W. Miller.....Lexington, N. C.
L. E. Teague.....Thomasville, N. C.
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C. C. Wrenn.....Southmont, N. C.
W. H. Lomax.....Linwood, N. C.

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Miss Lois Miller.....Kernersville, N. C.

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W. M. U. Associational Superintendent:
Mrs. E. N. Gardner.....Thomasville, N. C.

MINUTE FUND APPORTIONMENT

Abbotts Creek	$6.00
Center Hill	4.00
Churchland	6.00
Denton	6.00
Erlanger	4.00
Gravel Hill	2.50
Holloways	5.00
Jersey	6.00
Lexington	25.00
Liberty	4.00
Lick Creek	3.50
New Friendship	5.00
Oak Hill	2.00
Orphanage	12.00
Reeds	5.00
Rich Fork	5.00
Smith Grove	4.00
Southside	3.00
Westfield	3.00
Stoners Grove	6.00
Summerville	3.00
Taylor's Grove	1.00
Thomasville	15.00
Wallburg	6.00
Walter's Grove	1.00
Welcome	5.00

DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE FROM THE VARIOUS CHURCHES

Abbotts Creek—D. S. Hayworth, Mrs. D. S. Hayworth, C. H. Teague, J. R. Phillips, J. P. Tryanham and Charlie Bodenheimer.

Center Hill—W. J. Beck, S. E. Jarrett, Charlie McCarn.

Churchland—L. E. Rickard, W. A. Beeker, W. H. Lomax.

Denton—W. B. Russell, Mrs. R. A. Allen, Jr., J. J. Snider, Ross Wall, Miss Bessie Tysinger, Wade Harris, Lucy Snider, Mary Snider, Ruby Connell, Miss Lantie Daniel, Rev. L. A. Connell.

Gravel Hill—Sam Scarlett, Bessie Scarlett, Etta Tucker, Oscar Tucker, E. M. Russell.

Holloways—T. L. Palmer, W. D. Seaford, Geo. Workman, B. R. Cross, Mrs. B. R. Cross.

Jersey—Charlie Copley, J. T. Clark, A. A. Graves.

Lexington—G. W. Miller, C. W. Trice, Sam J. Smith, J. L. Bullard, Mrs. A. L. Pickard, Mrs. A. L. Curry, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, S. G. Hasty.

Liberty—N. T. Kindley, O. F. Hughes, C. H. Sowers, Mrs. Bessie Clodfelter, Mrs. Ella Hepler, Mrs. D. H. Hepler, Howard Hepler, Miss Lula Plummer.

Lick Creek—J. A. Kinney, P. M. Snider.

New Friendship—Mrs. D. C. Swaim, Elmer Snider.

Oak Hill—Charlie Welborn, Leona Welborn.

Orphanage—M. L. Kesler, H. G. Early, F. B. Hamrick, Mrs. Lettie Britton, Miss Sallie McCracken, Miss Mary Clark, Miss Myra Olive, Miss Alva Lawrence.

Reeds—J. T. Foster, J. N. Myers, Mrs. O. M. Staton.

Rich Fork—G. T. Everhart, Ed Conrad, Frank Kindley, B. L. West.

Smith Grove: Ray Grubb, Carl Young.

Southside—J. F. Epps.

Stoners Grove—Walter Wafford.

Summerville—James Rogers.

Tabernacle—I. L. Blalock, Miss Emma Teague, Miss Grace Hames.

Taylors Grove—Ira M. Bailey, A. H. Michael.

Thomasville—Mrs. T. J. Covington, L. E. Teague, Miss Stella Wagner, A. Z. Boles, Mrs. E. C. Link, P. C. Newton, C. M. Howell, E. A. Pegg.

Wallburg—J. W. Tuttle, Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, F. H. Pardue.

Walters Grove—J. T. Pierce.

Welcome—E. S. Craver, M. L. Craver, Mrs. J. E. Childress.

Westfield—E. A. Sprinkle, Howard Hunt.

BAPTIST INSTITUTION LOCATED IN THE ASSOCIATION

Thomasville Baptist Orphanage.

Superintendent: M. L. Kesler, Thomasville, N. C.

Treasurer: F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville, N. C.

PROCEEDINGS

First Baptist Church, Thomasville, N. C.
Sept. 6, 1927.

The 94th session of the Liberty Baptist Association convened with the First Baptist Church of Thomasville on Tuesday, September 6, 1927, at 10 a. m. Devotional services were conducted by Dr. M. L. Kesler, superintendent of Thomasville Orphanage.

The body was called to order by Moderator Archibald Johnson.

ORGANIZATION

The following officers were elected: Moderator, Archibald Johnson; vice-moderator, E. N. Gardner; clerk and treasurer, Sam J. Smith.

The following report on the Biblical Recorder was read by Rev. H. T. Penry:

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

Ninety-four years ago the first copy of the Biblical Recorder was published by Thomas Meredith. Since that date it has through all the years rendered invaluable service to North Carolina Baptists. But I am here to report, if I may, on the Biblical Recorder in the Liberty Association. There are 5000 Baptists in the Liberty Association. There are approximately 140 copies of the Recorder coming into the association. That record is nothing less than shameful. Will you join in a renewal effort to put the Biblical Recorder in every Baptist Home?

Respectfully submitted,
H. T. PENRY.

The report was discussed by Rev. W. R. Beach, representative of said paper, Rev. H. T. Penry, Dr. M. L. Kesler, Rev. R. T. Vann and G. T. Everhart, and was adopted.

VISITORS

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body: Rev. W. R. Beach, representative of the Biblical Recorder; Dr. R. T. Vann, secretary of Benevolences; Dr. B. W. Spillman, of the Sunday School Board; Rev. E. W. Byerly, Perry Morgan, B. Y. P. U. secretary; Rev. Robert Councilman, assistant pastor First church, Burlington, N. C.; Miss Rinnie Ricket, Junior and Intermediate leader of B. Y. P. U., and Miss Mary Francis Biggers, field B. Y. P. U. worker.

NEW PASTORS IN THE ASSOCIATION

The following new ministers were recognized and welcomed as new pastors in the association: Rev. Paul V. Berry, pastor of the Denton field; Rev. R. C. Foster, pastor of Reeds, Rich Fork and Churchland churches.

ANNUAL SERMON

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. H. T. Penry, pastor

of the Southmont field. His Scripture reading was from the First chapter of Romans, 1st to 17th verses inclusive. He used as his text St. Paul's words, "I am debtor."

The association adjourned till 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1:30 P. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. H. Hanes, from 116 Psalm, 12th verse. Prayer by Perry Morgan.

The following committees were appointed by the moderator:

Committee on Finance: G. W. Miller, D. S. Hayworth, Z. V. Crutchfield.

Committee on Time, Place and Preacher: G. C. Palmer, E. F. Mumford, Mrs. Paul V. Berry.

Committee on Digest of Church Letters: Miss Myra Olive, L. E. Teague, B. L. West.

Committee on Nominations: H. T. Penry, Miss Sallie McCracken, M. O. Alexander, G. T. Everhart.

The following report on State Missions was read by the clerk of the association:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

At our state convention last November, all our state activities were consolidated under the control of one board, to be known as the General Boards of the Convention. There are separate committees of the board to look after the different departments of our state work, but the deciding of all important questions, and all appropriations must be passed upon by the General Board.

In the opinion of your committee this was a wise and timely act on the part of the convention, as it will promote a spirit of unity and efficiency in every division of our state mission work.

We would like to define State Missions, as the "Carrying out" of the Great Commission of our Lord here in North Carolina—that is, to give the gospel to our own people, and teach them to observe the "all things whatsoever He has commanded us."

How are we progressing at this task? Let us note just a few things: There are about two million people in our state. At least 600,000 of these, above ten years of age, do not belong to any church. About 48 per cent of all church members in North Carolina are Baptists; then it would appear that we are responsible for about half of this 600,000 unsaved people in our midst. Thus we have a great opportunity for evangelism here at home.

Now as we contemplate the task of enlistment, or teaching our people to observe the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, the fields appear to be larger and whiter unto the harvest. We have 375,767 white Baptists in North Carolina, members of 2,325 churches. Only about 125,000 of our church members are doing anything at all toward giving the gospel to others, at home or abroad. Last year 544 of our churches reported nothing whatever to our Co-operative Program. With 250,000, a quarter of a million of our church members doing absolutely nothing for

the advancement of Christ's kingdom—disobeying his last command to his disciples—it would seem that we are facing a tremendous task in our own churches. More than 65 per cent of our church members unenlisted, and about 20 per cent of our churches reporting nothing, constitutes a problem in our church-family that must be solved. Every member of every church ought to take part in every duty that God has given to his people. To the work of State Missions, this task of the enlistment of our people, pre-eminently belongs; also State Missions is the agency through which we foster and look after the interests of all the objects of our Co-operative Program, both state and south-wide.

As with all our work at this time, State Missions is greatly hindered by the largeness of our debt. But under the wise leadership of our corresponding secretary, Dr. Maddry, by heavy retrenchment of the work, and the setting apart a certain per cent of all funds for the payment of our debt, we are getting to a place where it begins to look brighter for the future.

If all of our people could but realize the responsibility resting upon us, and the obligations we owe to our Lord, and bring to the Lord's house all of the Lord's part of our increase; every debt on all of our boards would be paid, our churches would greatly enlarge their work at home, and we as God's people would be made to rejoice at the abundant blessings He is so able and willing to pour out upon us, when we are willing to obey all of His commands. Mal. 3:10.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN R. MILLER.

The report was discussed by Dr. R. T. Vann and was adopted.

The following report on Hospitals was read by Dr. M. L. Kesler:

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Although the hospital is the youngest of our institutions it has already found its place in the affections of our people and we wonder why we did not undertake this work long ago. Perhaps no enterprise we have ever undertaken is conducted on better business principles. It is both a business enterprise and a charitable institution. We need to understand clearly the distinction between the two types of work being done. The regular run of pay patients will support the hospital. This is conducted on safe business principles and the denomination is not called on to make contributions to these patients; and yet it is well worth while for the denomination to provide a hospital for patients other than those who are dependent on charity. It puts the healing art distinctly under Christian influence, just as our Christian schools put higher education in the atmosphere of Christian teaching.

But the large appeal for the hospital is the charity work being done in the name of the great Healer. It is difficult for us to

grasp the magnitude of our possibilities in this unworked field among our people. This has two appeals, one is the more practical, measuring values in terms of economy. A poor man unable to pay for expensive operations, cared for by the hospital, his life saved; means, in many cases, the orphanage saved many times the expense of the care given him in the hospital. That is the practical side; and on the other are human happiness and tender mercies and Christian kindness extended to the suffering which cannot be estimated in terms of money.

Another outstanding feature of our hospital is the training of nurses; not simply in the art of nursing, but doing it as a larger Christian service to mankind. The new nurses' home, rapidly approaching completion, assures the very best training school that can be had for young women who wish to become nurses.

We urge two things: One a better patronage from our people who are able to pay for hospital services, and the other, that we make Mother's Day an institution in our Sunday schools and greatly enlarge our contributions. This is the only hope of the hospital for increasing and enlarging its charity work.

Respectfully submitted,
M. L. KESLER.

The report was discussed by Dr. M. L. Kesler and was adopted.

The following report on Foreign Missions was read by Prof. B. L. West:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

The churches of the south co-operate and endeavor to give the gospel to all the earth through the Foreign Mission Board. This board closed the eighty-second year of its work on the 30th of last April.

In order for the people of the Liberty Association to be able to support foreign missions in an intelligent way the following facts should be known. There were on the foreign field last year 1139 churches, 507 of which were self-supporting. The total membership of these churches was 137,734 and 12,085 of this number were baptised during the year.

We had on the field 1899 Sunday schools with an enrollment of 71,734; 612 Woman's Missionary Societies with an enrollment of 15,100; 617 Young Peoples Societies with an enrollment of 16,129. The native contributions of the churches, including the woman's work, were $480,004.24.

The Foreign Mission Board has on its working force 191 men, 186 married women, 136 unmarried women, 648 ordained natives, and 2141 unordained native workers. These workers carry on the work in 560 schools with 22,615 students; 13 hospitals in which 50,007 patients were treated last year, and also the work of the churches.

Although the number of schools has been decreased during the last year from 920 to 560, and the number of churches from 1215 to 1139, the missionaries have not given up. They still

have an unfaltering faith. This is a challenge to us to give of our best.

For more than four years the Foreign Mission Board has had to pursue a program of retrenchment, because of tremendous debts. No new workers have been sent out; no new fields or out-stations have been occupied; missionaries' salaries have been cut; schools have been closed and our work is suffering in every way. The missionaries who have had to come home for this and other reasons still call to us to "carry on". Even the unsettled condition in China has not discouraged them.

The burden then rests upon the people in the churches of our homeland. Hundreds of new volunteers are ready to go "into the fields which are white unto the harvest", but they do not have the money. Many of the old workers are waiting to go back and we are holding their hands. May this report be a challenge to us to go with our prayers, our means and our time and help carry the gospel to the ends of the earth.

Respectfully submitted,

B. L. WEST.

The report was discussed by Rev. H. H. McMillan, a returned missionary from China, and was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES

The following Committee on Obituaries was named by the moderator: Rev. J. H. Hanes, Mrs. A. L. Curry and J. D. Newton.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

The committee on time, place and preacher made the following report:

Time: Tuesday after the first Sunday in September, 1928.

Place: Holloways.

Preacher: Dr. M. L. Kesler.

Alternate: Rev. Paul V. Berry.

The association adjourned till 7:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION, 7:30 P. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Miss Alva Lawrence, of the Orphanage.

The following report on B. Y. P. U. was read by Prevette Westmoreland:

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

Last year another unsurpassed record was made in B. Y. P. U. work in North Carolina. A total of 1,879 local unions—an increase of 216 over the year before—was reported at the last state convention. Of these unions, as many as 137 were able to attain A-1 Standing rating for one quarter of the year. More than 100 churches now have a general B. Y. P. U. organization with a director at the head of the work. Our orphanages, schools and colleges have become centers for B. Y. P. U. activities.

Nor has our association lagged behind in this field of work. Fifteen of the 26 churches of the Liberty Association have one or more unions in their midst. There are now on record 29 B. Y. P. U.'s with a total membership of 717. Three churches have general organizations which are actively functioning. The "Faith" Junior Union of the Thomasville Orphanage was awarded the state efficiency banner for the past year's work, and the "Love" union, also of the Orphanage, received honorable mention.

Figures may present, in a manner, the numerical growth of the B. Y. P. U. in our state and association during the past year, but they can only suggest the deepened spirituality and increased interest in church affairs being manifested by the young Baptists of North Carolina. The latter is a result of the work done; and is very significant because it indicates that the B. Y. P. U. is an important and efficient agency of the Baptist denomination, and as such is worthy of the active aid and support of each and every Baptist.

OFFICERS OF LIBERTY B. Y. P. U. ASSOCIATION

President.....Miss Alva Lawrence, Orphanage
Vice-Pres. (Lexington Group).....Miss Elizabeth Smith, Linwood
Vice-Pres. (Thomasville Group.....Prevette Westmoreland, Thomasville
Vice-Pres. (Denton Group).....Rev. Paul Berry, Denton
Junior-Intermediate Leader.....Mrs. C. M. Howell, Thomasville
Secretary-Treasurer.....Miss Esther Hutchins, Lexington
Chorister.....L. W. Hansel, Thomasville
Pianist .....Miss Wrenn
Chairmen of Committees:
Program.....Miss Alva Lawrence, Orphanage
Extension.....Prevette Westmoreland, Thomasville
Instruction.....Leo Davis, Southmont
Social.....Miss Annie Mae Lopp, Lexington
Missionary.....Miss Olivia Hocutt, Orphanage

Respectfully submitted,
PREVETTE WESTMORELAND.

The report was adopted.

A playlet entitled, "Farmer Brown's Conversion to Stewardship," was rendered by the Orphanage Intermediate B. Y. P. U.

The following report on Woman's Work was read by Miss Sallie McCracken:

REPORT ON WOMAN'S WORK

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association held its annual meeting at the First Baptist Church, Thomasville, on Tuesday, August 16,1927. The meeting was held in two sessions, according to custom, and was attended by 248 persons, including delegates from twelve of the fifteen Missionary Societies in the association, and from several of the Junior Societies.

The presence of Mrs. Edna R. Harris, state corresponding secretary of W. M. U., Mrs. H. T. Stevens of High Point, formerly the corresponding secretary, and Mrs. K. D. Stukenbroke, of North Wilkesboro, with the messages they brought, added greatly to the informing and inspirational value of the meeting; and the talks and demonstrations of members of the association made up a program of worth. Much important business was transacted, including the authorization of the employment for a month next summer of a field worker, to carry on the work begun with such happy results this summer. The following officers were elected to serve for a year: Associational superintendent, Mrs. E. N. Gardner, Orphanage, Thomasville; associate superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Green, Thomasville; secretary-treasurer, Miss Sallie McCracken, Orphanage; mission study leader, Mrs. M. O. Alexander, Thomasville; personal service chairman, Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, Thomasville; Y. W. A. leader, Miss Bessie Tysinger, Denton; Junior leader, Mrs. W. J. Griffin, New Friendship.

The following report was rendered of work accomplished during the year 1926 and the first six months of 1927: Apportionment for 1926, $3,500.00; amount given, $4,053.40; apportionment for 1927, $4,200, amount given to June 30, $1,552.73.

January 1, 1927: Societies in association, 22 (W. M. S., 13; Y. W. A., 0; G. A., 3; R. A., 1; S. B., 6); churches with no society, 13; new societies organized during year, 1; tithers reported, 31; societies having some organized personal service, 6; societies having mission study classes, 4; societies reporting tithers, 3; societies observing week of prayer, 8; societies having special offering for home or foreign missions, 7; subscribers to Biblical Recorder, 86; to Home and Foreign Fields, 68; to Royal Service, 52; to World Comrades, 6.

The individual societies, with few exceptions, are doing acceptable work, which we believe will grow better and better as the vision of our women grows broader to include the whole world. During the last few months, a noticeable gain has been made in interest and in organizations. This quickening is in large measure due to a month of intensive field work done in the association during July and August by Miss Lois Miller and the superintendent. The report of the field work follows:

Men, women and children attending classes, 162; study classes and story classes held, 8; W. M. U. seals awarded for completed work, 28; teacher training seals, 23; laymen's missionary seals, 3; societies organized as a direct result of field work, 5; W. M. S., 1; G. A., 1; R. A., 1; S. B., 2; societies aided indirectly in organization, 4; W. M. S., 2; Y. W. A., 1; G. A., 1.

We are happy to report, then, for the first eight months of the year, a gain of 3 W. M. S., 2 Y. W. A., 3 G. A., 1 R. A. and 2 S. B., making a total of 11 new societies organized this year. We have, however, lost one S. B., which makes a net gain of 10 societies.

We have faith to believe that the growth is just begun, and

that it is not a mushroom growth. Coming right largely as a result of the field work, which was planned for by the former superintendent, Mrs. Green, and authorized by the W. M. U. in its meeting last year, the emphasis on organization is part of a deliberate southwide campaign to enlist our women in the missionary work represented by W. M. U. In celebration of the fortieth anniversary of its organization W. M. U. has set for its goal during the year 1928: 40,000 new members in already existing organizations; 40 per cent increase in organizations, or 33,000 new organizations; $4,000,000 in gifts from the women to the southwide program.

These figures constitute a huge gain over present achievement, and women all over the south are beginning now to make them possible. Our associational W. M. U. desires to have a proper place in this advance. The gain of 10 organizations seems large in comparison with a gain of one for the twelve months preceding; it looks very small in comparison with our whole task. When we consider that there are now in our association 10 churches without any missionary organization, 24 with no Y. W. A., 22 with no G. A., 24 with no R. A., and 17 with no S. B., we see that there is much work yet to do.

We are stressing organization, not for the sake of numbers of organizations, but because of our firm belief that each of these fills a unique and vital place in the life of the church members. It is because we believe that each member of one of these societies can be because of her membership a more earnest, more intelligent, more world-minded, more generous, more useful Christian, that we are zealous for the work. We bespeak the prayers of every pastor and every lay-member of this association, and your informed interest in the women's work, to the end that God may be more glorified in the churches of our association.

Respectfully submitted,
RUTH C. GARDNER.

The report was adopted.

MISSIONARY ADDRESS

An interesting address was delivered on missions by Dr. H. H. McMillan, recently returned missionary from Soochow, China. (Dr. McMillan delighted the association with several lectures from time to time. His rare optimism and faith in the cause of missions tenderly touched all of his hearers.)

The association adjourned till 9:30 Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 9:30 A. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. Eli Lawrence of the Montgomery Association.

VISITORS RECOGNIZED

The following visitors were duly recognized and welcomed to seats in the body: Rev. Eli Lawrence, of the Montgomery Association; Rev. Ben S. Beach, field Sunday school worker; Livings-

ton Johnson, editor Biblical Recorder; Rev. James A. Ivey, field Sunday school worker; Rev. W. H. Wall, of Shelby; Rev. L. T. Wilson, High Point; Clarence A. Smith, moderator of Piedmont Association.

The following report on the Orphanage was read by Rev. M. O. Alexander:

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

There is no need to restate all the details concerning our Orphanage and its marvelous work. There are no secrets in the management or operation of the orphanage. Dr. Kesler has printed and broadcast a leaflet of facts, giving in careful detail all the information one could wish.

We are justly proud of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage for it ranks high and is said to be more nearly what an institution should be than any orphanage in the States. Dr. M. L. Kesler, the efficient General Manager, has taken a high place among leaders in this work and is frequently called on by other denominations and organizations supporting orphan children, for counsel and advice. Dr. Kesler's plans are wise and up-to-date. What we need to consider seriously, is the financial support of our orphanage. The management is all right and the operation is fine, limited only by the lack of funds. Anybody can criticise. We will find nothing perfect this side of Heaven. I dare say, barring financial aid, you will find less to criticize and more to commend in our orphanage than in any work we are doing.

May we who constitute the Liberty Association take definite steps and make definite plans here and now to have our churches support regularly and liberally the orphanage.

M. O. ALEXANDER.

The report was discussed by Dr. M. L. Kesler, Dr. R. T. Vann, Rev. M. O. Alexander and Dr. B. W. Spilman, and was adopted.

It was also voted by the association that the Orphanage Report be amended so as to recommend the appointment of an associational orphanage representative.

The following report on Home Missions was read by J. L. Fortney:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The eighty-second annual report of the Home Mission Board was presented by Dr. B. D. Gray, corresponding secretary, to the Southern Baptist Convention at Louisville, Ky., last May.

The work of the board for the year 1926 as covered in that report is given under two heads: "Special Items" and "Our General Work". Under "Special Items" we find listed the New Orleans Hospital, The Efficiency Commission, Chaplaincy Work, Student Religious Actitvities, The March Week of Prayer, and the Laymen's Missionary Movement.

The burden of the report on the hospital is the failure of the Hospital Commission to live up to its agreement to pay to the

Home Mission Board 25 per cent of its receipts from Southwide funds, and to pay anything on its original debt to that board of $250,000 plus interest. The report indicates that the Home Board is meeting all its financial obligations to commissions in charge of the other special items, and that gratifying results are being obtained in these fields of endeavor. Special attention is called to the good reports from the Chaplaincy Commission's work in support of the moral and religious life among the men of the army and navy, and the work of the commission engaged in Student Religious Activities.

Under the heading "Our General Work" we find the following departments: "Co-operative Missions and Enlistment, Evangelism, Independent and Direct Missions, Cuba, Panama, Mountain Mission Schools, The Southern Baptist Sanatorium, Church Extension, and Publicity.

Co-operative Missions constitutes the one great unifying feature of our home mission activities. The needs of this field instead of decreasing are increasing yearly, and the leadership of Southern Baptists as an aggressive body of Christian people is seriously menaced at this time from lack of sacrificial giving and devotion to this great task. "To elicit, combine and direct the energies of the denomination for the propagation of the Gospel" is the work of the enlistment department. We have been compelled to reduce materially our force for the work of this department.

Evangelism has been instrumental in bringing us as a denomination thus far, and must continue with unabated zeal if we are to go forward. In as much as it has to do with spiritual births it is first in process as well as importance. "There is but one Gospel to preach" says Superintendent Fuller, "and we must continue to preach it." So with an ever decreasing force he ever increases the territory covered and the number reached.

The department of Independent and Direct Missions, under Supt. J. W. Beagle, is attempting to serve 1,500,000 Mexicans, 500,000 Italians, 500,000 French-speaking people, and thousands of Cubans, Swedes, Hungarians, and Chinese with a working force of 38 persons. In spite of this handicap, God is blessing this work in a marvelous way.

Dr. M. N. McCall reports many advance movements in Cuba, but closes with this petition: "We ask our brethren everywhere to join us in prayer that God may raise up the help we need for this great and needy field."

One outstanding feature of the work of the year in Panama was the gift of the government of a broadcasting outfit to the Baptist church there. Through the Balboa Broadcasting Station this church has a range including all the Americas.

Dr. J. W. O'Hara reports a wonderful year in the mountain mission schools, in the number served and the great number converted. but states that he found it necessary to close two schools on account of lack of funds.

Dr. H. F. Vermillion in reporting for the Southern Baptist Sanitorium says that "every department is better organized and is functioning better than ever before, but closes his report by saying that we have no children's building for the thousands of small tuberculous children. The Shriners spend a million dollars a year to care for their tuberculous children, but Southern Baptists cannot put up a building for theirs.

The departments of Church Extension and Publicity have made great strides forward under the direct supervision of Dr. Gray.

In conclusion we quote from Dr. Gray's report: "In view of present conditions in our country socially, morally, and religiously and the engrossing power of commercialism and worldliness, how is it possible to view the future without seriousness and solicitude? This is the greatest hour for Home Missions in the history of our country. The problems were never so acute, the demands so urgent, the opportunities so great and the obligations so overwhelming. America constitutes at once the greatest field and force in all the world for Christian civilization."

Respectfully submitted,
J. L. FORTNEY.

The report was discussed by Livingston Johnson and adopted.

The following report on Ministerial Relief was read by the clerk of the association:

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

Men and women who have served Christ faithfully deserve from the followers of Christ an adequate financial support in their old age. Our duty is so clear: ". . . to lift from their hearts the haunting dread of an impoverished breakdown or a forlorn and needy old age, which hampers all their work."

Our own state convention, through the Old Ministers' Relief Fund, is caring for about one hundred and twenty old ministers and widows of ministers. They receive an average of $120 per year; they deserve more.

The Southern Baptist Convention, through its Relief and Annuity Board, is doing a creditable piece of work along these lines. At the last convention, May, 1927, the Relief Department reported as receiving help, 552 ministers, 443 widows, and 150 dependent children. The annuity department reported 1,281 men and women enrolled as active certificate holders of the annuity fund. The plan of the annuity fund is well known: the member's contribution is equivalent to one-fifth of the amount necessary to produce the maximum pension, $500 per year. Fifty-nine are drawing annuities. From the ninth annual report of the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention: "Our relief beneficiaries received during the year, the sum of $133,228.12, while our annuity claimants were paid $22,964.58, making a total of $156,192.70. This represents an

increase in money paid to the board relief beneficiaries of $7,294.89 and an increase to the annuity beneficiaries of $7,070.50, or a total increase in both the relief and annuity departments of $14,365.30. The board sent Christmas checks to the beneficiaries totalling $8,349.94. This is a beautiful service, and its continuance from year to year is earnestly hoped for. The amount here given is included in the total of relief payments stated above."

Our pastors should know thoroughly the details of this type of insurance. Further, they should keep our churches enlightened on the subject. Together let us work for the comfort of those who by their labors have made life richer for us.

Respectfully submitted,
PAUL C. NEWTON.

The report was discussed by Dr. R. T. Vann and was adopted.

The following report on Sunday Schools was read by the clerk of the association:

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The chairman of this committee wrote a personal letter to every Sunday school superintendent in the Liberty Association, requesting information about our Sunday schools. He received only two replies. It would be easier to write an accurate and interesting report on the Sunday schools if it were possible to get definite information from each superintendent.

The Sunday school is important, first, because it is really the church functioning as a teacher. No one will deny the wisdom or right of the church to give a religious education to our boys and girls. Secondly, the Sunday school is important because it reaches our young people. Religious education is neglected in most homes and is often frowned upon by our state schools. It is necessary for the boys and girls of today who must shoulder the burdens of tomorrow to have a religious education, and the responsibility for giving this religious training rests squarely upon the shoulders of the local churches. I think the local churches are beginning to realize this as never before. The church of Jesus Christ has no moral right to shift this responsibility by calling upon the state to teach religion. Our church is well able to give instruction in righteousness if it will only awaken and begin the job in earnest.

If the Sunday school is to be efficient, an able man must be selected for superintendent. No ordinary man will be able to lead successfully. It is also important that every teacher know how to teach. The teachers should be personally acquainted with Jesus, understand his message, and understand children.

Then, it is necessary to have an adequate church building, equipped with Sunday school classrooms. The best that money can buy is none too good, but when it is not possible to raise money enough to get the best, it is always possible for forward looking Christians to sacrifice and do their best, for money used

for this purpose is not wasted. It is more important to provide a modern church building than a strong bank building, for we believe that morals are of more value to any city than dollars.

Finally, every Sunday school should make a supreme effort to get on the honor roll by meeting every requirement. Some of our Sunday schools are already on the honor roll. I might mention our Orphanage Sunday school as an example. They have had a Standard Sunday school for years. During the past year the Beginners, Primary, Junior Boys, Junior Girls, and Intermediate department studied the book of their department, receiving seals. The offerings of this Sunday school for the last year amounted to $927.82. Now, it is possible for every Sunday school in this association to accomplish as much as our Orphanage Sunday school. It is only a question of effort and leadership. If all the Sunday schools in the Southern Baptist Convention would make that effort, most of the pressing problems of our denomination would be solved. Our moral, spiritual, and financial problems would cease to be problems, for we would reach our goal in record time. We can. We will. God will help us.

IRA FREEMAN,
T. H. SMALL, Committee.

The report was discussed by Rev. J. A. Ivey, a field Sunday school worker, and Dr. B. W. Spilman and was adopted.

The association adjourned till 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION, WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 7, 1:30 P. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. E. C. Roach, pastor of Southside and Welcome churches.

The following report on Christian Education was read by P. C. Newton.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

I. The ideals and function of Christian Education.

Paul, writing to Timothy, set the ideal for Christian education in these words, "For God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love and of a strong mind." Dean Brown, of Yale University, said Paul's ideal means that the young Christian needs that equipment which may be called stamina, sympathy and scholarship. For well-rounded personality, these factors must be developed; and any system of education which does not develop these is defective.

Surely it is dangerous to measure education merely in terms of dollars. The state schools can well afford so to measure it as well as in terms of service to the state, but our Christian schools must not so measure it. Indeed, they do not. But as much as Christian citizenship is of more intrinsic worth than merely good citizens, by so much is Christian education superior to any system of education which leaves out Christ. The state schools must insist on high moral standards; but be it remembered that the

moral standards of today may degenerate tomorrow, and doubtless would but for the Christian code of ethics, which is ever lifting existing moral standards to a higher level. Herein lies the function of Christian education, and herein is indicated its ever increasing task.

II. Our South-wde Work.

Southern Baptists are operating five types of schools as follows: Senior colleges, junior colleges, high schools, theological seminaries and training schools.

We have 112 schools and colleges and seminaries in which there is an investment of practically $58,000,000, and in which there are 40,000 young people studying to fit themselves for more effective service. In addition 70,000 other young people, who are Baptists, are studying in our state and private schools and colleges. Of the students in our Baptist schools one out of every seven is studying for some definite line of Christian service while out of the male students one out of every five is a candidate for the ministry.

The methods of control of these institutions are the result among other human elements, of history, tradition, habit, prayer, local pride, group jealousies and efforts to balance power and influence.

The following comparative figures are significant and, in some respects, encouraging:

	1919-1920	19-26-1927	Gain
No. of schools	119	112	
Male students	10,505	16,645	6,140
Female students	14,127	22,445	8,318
Total	24,632	39,090	14,458
Property	$15,488,927	$38,890,086	$23,401,259
Endowment	7,348,562	18,854,721	11,506,159
Total	22,837,389	57,744,807	34,907,418

III. Our Statewide Work.

At one time Baptist people owned some 14 high schools in North Carolina. Now, however, the convention has only Boiling Springs High School, while the Home Board has only four, Sylva, Haywood, Fruitland, Mountain View. The state convention now has three junior colleges: Mars. Hill, Wingate and Buies Creek; three colleges: Wake Forest, Meredith and Chowan.

Without attempting any complete review of the year's work of these institutions let an interpretation of a few of the outstanding facts be stated here. Our schools have continued to gain in college students, but have continued to lose in high school students. Figures on November 1, 1926, show a net increase of 156 college students, but reveal a loss of 121 high school students, over that of November 1, 1925. The ideal and need of Christian education have not changed, but the type or grade of student to whom we must appeal has changed and now Baptist people are concentrating on junior colleges and colleges, seeking,

if possible, to train future leaders and through them to reach as many people as possible. With only one Baptist high school in North Carolina, we must reach that class of students by sending out into the public high schools of the state, from our colleges, men and women of such dynamic Christian character that our influence in these high schools will be as effective as when we owned and controlled them.

Another interesting development is the growth of summer schools in our institutions. Meredith and Chowan do not have summer schools, but the plant at Meredith was this summer utilized for school for preachers, B. Y. P. U. convention and Sunday school convention. Thus our property is being used, some at least. One and one-half months during the year 400 public school teachers enjoyed courses offered in Bible by Drs. Cullom and Lynch.

IV. Now what is our opportunity?

Never have Christians and especially Baptists had a more challenging opportunity. Men and women are asking, "To whom shall we go? Cultured and consecrated leadership is the need of the hour. We have only one high school left, on the other hand larger numbers in college. These must be trained for Christian leadership for church and state. Here is our opportunity. We can not train the many, but we must give those whom we do train the very best. The cost of providing such training now is a mere nothing compared with the probable service the 2000 college students will render to the on-going of the kingdom.

This final word: Our schools must grow or go. Several have gone already. Worth-while things cost money. We must put not only our boys and girls into our schools, but our money as well. If we are to be worthy of our God and those Baptist builders who, in faith, began these enterprises, we must not, we can not, having set our hands to the plow, look backward. We have the ideals, we have eager minds hungering for full truth and hearts aglow for service, we have the money. Let us give our ideals a chance to direct our money so that these eager minds and glowing hearts may be prepared for spiritual service. And the kingdom will surely come.

Respectfully submitted,
P. C. NEWTON.

The report was discussed by John Arch McMillan, of Wake Forest College, Dr. L. T. Wilson, pastor of First church, High Point, and was adopted.

The following report was read by Rev. E. N. Gardner, pastor of the Orphanage church:

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES

The following report is submitted with some uncertainty regarding its reception. To be truthful we have found it necessary to include among the pleasant items of interest to our people

those which are hardly agreeable. We appeal from the report to the statistical table on the blackboard in front of you and to the general reports that have come in concerning the work of the different fields of the association. After that, if there are present those who are inclined to censure the writer, we throw ourselves upon your charity and "sweet forgiveness".

There are twenty-six churches in the Liberty Association, four served by pastors who give their whole time to them, one field of two churches, two of three churches, one of four, and ten churches whose pastors are not resident in the association. In turning to the first four we do well to begin with the Thomasville church, our gracious host and example in many particulars. Perhaps it has had the best year in all its history. There have been 62 additions, 23 by baptism. The increase in the missionary spirit, in giving, and the growth of the organized departments of the body have been pronounced. Repairs amounting to $15,000 have been added to the church. Yet these have not checked beneficences, which have increased during the year.

The Orphanage church thanks God for the continuance of the missionary spirit among its people. More than $2800 was contributed during the past year for objects outside the local budget. Many earnest workers are found both among the grown people and the children. Need is felt for a more effective missionary organization than the present unwieldy plan of one society for five hundred fifty members, and for a deeper spiritual fellowship binding the members of the church together.

The Tabernacle (Erlanger) church reports a building program carried out in a fine way. The building has been brick veneered. Rooms and much work on the interior speak of improved facilities for worship. There has been some growth in the membership and attendance upon the Bible school. We note with regret that very little training is being done among the young people of the church, and that gifts to missions are almost totally neglected.

The Lexington church has been passing through a time of stress and storm. Organizations have continued to function, but not to flourish. Gifts for missions have sadly declined. We pray that this church, to which we instinctively turn for leadership, may gird itself for the great opportunities afforded it, and pursue its way in peace and prosperity.

The Abbott's Creek-Wallburg field has had a good year. At Abbott's Creek there has been an excellent growth in the Sunday school, which under the guidance of the pastor a new building, costing around $12,000 has nearly been completed. The Wallburg church has added twenty-three to its membership during the year, and has surpassed its quota to the Co-operative Program. The missionary spirit at both places has been fair, but hardly as aggressive as could be expected from people as capable as those on this field.

Denton, Liberty and Lick Creek have given a cordial welcome

to their new pastor, Paul V. Berry, and his family, who arrived the first of March. The field is beginning to appreciate in a commendable way the value of training and organization. Schools for missions and the B. Y. P. U. have been conducted at two places on the field, two missionary societies have been organized, and one B. Y. P. U. There has been some improvement in contributions; and we look forward to a real development along that line at an early date.

Churchland, Reeds and Rich Fork also have a new pastor, R. C. Foster, a progressive, earnest, missionary worker. The spirit of missions seems to be advancing on this field. At Churchland there are great possibilities among the young people. Reeds rceently had a meeting with thirty-one additions to the church. Rich Fork has a beautiful house of worship on the side of the highway, but has been allowing this structure to stand as a bugaboo to frighten the good friends of the church from undertaking a worthy missionary program. We are glad to note, however, that they are rallying from their fright, and predict greater things from them in the years to come.

The field composed of Holloways, Stoner's Grove, Jersey and Center Hill reports good Bible schools, an enthusiastic pastor, some encouraging signs of growth among the young people, but—a low financial record, far below the ability of the membership of this field. Perhaps the evangelistic opportunity is met here as fully as on any field in the association. The new orphanage of the Junior Order U. A. M., which will open soon across from the site of the Center Hill Church, will present a problem which we pray this church and others may under God be able to solve.

The remaining ten churches are served by pastors whose homes are outside the borders of the Liberty Association. New Friendship can hardly be thought of as belonging to the group, as its beloved pastor lives close by, and superintends the work in an admirable manner. There has been progress along every line during the year. The enlistment of greater numbers is shown in the increased contributions of the church. The pastor is paid regularly every two weeks. The spirit of missions is excellent. The church reports a full-graded W. M. U. An addition to the church building has been voted. The spiritual tone of the church is better than it was a year ago.

Welcome has a new pastor, E. C. Roach, and is looking forward to a good year. Outside of these two churches, the other eight served by absentee pastors have not a single missionary society, not even a Sunbeam Band. The spirit of missions in them needs no other commentary.

Southside, Thomasville, has a great opportunity among several hundred Baptist possibilities in the mill districts. There were thirteen additions during the year. Three new Sunday school classes and a Junior B. Y. P. U. were organized.

Six additions are reported for Walter's Grove. Westfield has

added four Sunday school rooms, and seems to have made some improvement during the year. Summerville reports twelve baptisms and some improvement in the Bible school. Oak Hill has a weak organization. The pastor of Smith Grove lives more than one hundred fifty miles away. Gravel Hill makes a fair report for local contributions but very little for missions. Taylor's Grove has furnished no report.

SOME CONCLUSIONS

From this study some conclusions seem inevitable. First, there is need of more resident and active pastors in the Liberty Association. (In partial proof of this we cite the fact that only six of thirteen pastors were present at yesterday's sessions.) If our work is ever to advance creditably there must be more thorough oversight on the part of the shepherds of the Lord's flocks. We call on the churches to strive to group themselves so that a pastor need not have work outside of this particular association, to insist on their members paying a comfortable salary to those whom they call to lead them, and to urge these leaders to give themselves wholly to the work whereunto the Lord has called them.

Again, there is need for more effective organizations within the churches. All have Sunday schools, but these teaching departments are accomplishing little in some places. Ten churches have no missionary societies at all. However, there has been an increase in missionary societies during the year from twenty-two to thirty-two. B. Y. P. U. work is growing, but has a great field to challenge it in this association.

When these departments function better, there will be more laymen and women to carry on kingdom work among us. To encourage this desirable thing we urge the holding of more fifth Sunday meetings, building upon the start made with one such during the earlier months of the present year.

Finally, we need a bigger vision, a world vision, in order to measure up to what our Lord wishes us to do. Whole-hearted support of the Co-operative Program will make us "doers of the word, and not hearers only." We would lay upon the hearts of our people a lost world.

"God give us wisdom in these coming days,
And eyes unsealed, that we clear visions see
Of that new world which Thou wouldst have us build
To life's ennoblement and Thy high ministry."

E. NORFLEET GARDNER.

The report was discussed by E. N. Gardner, M. L. Kesler, M. O. Alexander, G. T. Everhart, E. F. Mumford, J. D. Newton, P. C. Newton, Clarence A. Smith, moderator of Piedmont association, Mrs. J. E. Childers and John R. Miller and was adopted.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

The following resolution was offered by Rev. John R. Miller and was adopted.

Moved that we hereby tender the pastor and members of Thomasville church and community our sincere thanks for their abundant hospitality during the sessions of this association.

JOHN R. MILLER.

The following resolution was offered and motion made to table same till the next session of the association, which motion was adopted.

RESOLUTION CONCERNING CHURCHES THAT FAIL TO CONTRIBUTE TO MISSIONS

Inasmuch as the Liberty Association has as its chief function the propagation of a missionary spirit among our people, and inasmuch as a church which fails to contribute to beneficences outside its local budget fails to justify its claim of being a missionary Baptist church, we therefore recommend that a church which contributes nothing to missionary objects beyond its borders have the fellowship of the association removed from it, if after a year from its report to the association it shows no improvement in its gifts.

Submitted by E. Norfleet Gardner September 7, 1927, to be acted upon at the 1928 session of the Liberty Association.

The committee on nominations offered the following report, which was adopted.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Associational Director: E. N. Gardner.
Orphanage Representative: M. O. Alexander.
State of Churches: Associational Director E. N. Gardner.
To prepare reports for next session of association:
Home Missions: R. C. Foster.
Biblical Recorder: Jesse Dickens.
Baptist Hospital: Mrs. R. S. Green.
State Missions: E. F. Mumford.
B. Y. P. U.: Miss Alva Lawrence.
Christian Education: J. L. Fortney.
Foreign Missions: Miss Elizabeth Smith.
Ministerial Relief: D. S. Hayworth.
Woman's Work: Mrs. E. N. Gardner.
Orphanage: C. C. Wrenn.
Sunday Schools: W. H. Lomax.
Program Committee for next year: Rev. H. T. Penry, Rev. M. O. Alexander and Rev. E. N. Gardner.
Executive Committee: M. L. Kesler, G. W. Miller, L. E. Teague, D. S. Hayworth, C. C. Wrenn, W. H. Lomax.
Representative on State Mission Board: M. L. Kesler.
Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention: H. T. Penry.

Delegate to State Convention: F. B. Hamrick.

H. T. PENRY,
M. O. ALEXANDER,
SALLIE McCRACKEN,
G. T. EVERHART, Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Committee on Finance made the following report, which was adopted.

It is recommended that each church raise the amount set opposite its name to be applied to the Co-operative Program:

Abbotts Creek	$500.00
Center Hill	200.00
Churchland	600.00
Denton	500.00
Gravel Hill	25.00
Holloways	400.00
Jersey	400.00
Lexington	2000.00
Liberty	150.00
Lick Creek	100.00
New Friendship	300.00
Oak Hill	25.00
Orphanage	2000.00
Reeds	300.00
Rich Fork	200.00
Smith Grove	175.00
Southside	50.00
Stoners Grove	400.00
Summerville	150.00
Tabernacle	325.00
Taylors Grove	10.00
Thomasville	2000.00
Wallburg	500.00
Walters Grove	10.00
Welcome	200.00
Westfield	50.00
Total	$11,570.00

The committee reported the sum of $98.50 raised for printing the minutes and for the clerk of the association.

G. W. MILLER,
D. S. HAYWORTH,
Z. V. CRUTCHFIELD,
Committee.

It was voted that the proceedings of the Woman's Missionary Union be included in the minutes.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON OBITUARIES

The Committee on Obituaries made the following report, which was adopted:

Sin and salvation like two mighty rivers run through the entire word of God; sin bearing its fruitage unto death, salvation bearing its fruitage unto life; all humanity is affected by these streams.

The following brothers and sisters in the Lord Jesus Christ have departed this life during the past associational year:

Abbotts Creek: Mrs. Lou Hedgecock and Mary Ann Hedgecock.

Center Hill: Mrs. Alice Yarbrough and C. F. Rickard.

Churchland: S. E. Simmerson.

Gravel Hill: Noak Tucker, Mrs. E. M. Russell and Miss Maudie Cornelison.

Holloways: W. J. Shirley, Mrs. Mattie Hill, Mrs. Crissie Beck, and Mrs. Sallie Feezor.

Lexington: S. M. Yarbrough and Mrs. I. G. Yarbrough.

Liberty: Mrs. M. L. Easter and Mrs. Dollie Pullem.

Lick Creek: Clay Rush.

Oak Hill: John L. Welborn.

Orphanage: Miss Kate Warrick, Miss Maude Mizelle and Robert Lee Watkins.

Rich Fork: Jesse Wagoner.

Smith Grove: L. T. Yarbrough.

Southside: Mrs. Mandy Clodfelter.

Stoners Grove: John H. Wafford, Mrs. H. M. Wafford and Lowe Davis.

Summerville: Deacon Edward Bean, Deacon Sampson Gallimore and Mrs. Mary Newsom.

Tabernacle: Mrs. T. F. Bishop and Mrs. J. M. Ollis.

Thomasville: W. H. Elliott, J. W. Hilton and W. E. Hall.

Wallburg: E. E. Jenkins.

In reverence and respect to these departed brothers and sisters the association arose to its feet for a few minutes.

CONGREGATION SERVICE

The association closed with a consecration service led by Dr. B. W. Spilman in a very inspiring talk, which was followed by a very earnest prayer by Dr. L. T. Wilson, a welcome visitor.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON, Moderator,
SAM J. SMITH, Clerk.

MINUTES OF THE W. M. U.
of the Liberty Baptist Association

The twenty-first annual meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association was held with the First Baptist church of Thomasville on Tuesday, August 16,1927, the superintendent, Mrs. E. N. Gardner, presiding. The meeting was opened by the congregation standing and repeating the watchword for the year: "The Master is come and calleth for thee," after which the hymn for the year, "Jesus Calls Us O'er the Tumult," was sung. Mrs. R. S. Green conducted the devotional service, reading a part of the first chapter of First Corinthians, and Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok led in prayer.

Gracious words of welcome were given by Mrs. M. O. Alexander, of the Thomasville society, to which Mrs. W. F. Flake, of the New Friendship society, responded. All of the missionary societies in the association responded to the roll call except two. The superintendent gave her first report in which she expressed feelings of mingled gratitude and dissatisfaction with the work accomplished during the year. She reported that while our apportionment for 1926 was $3,500 the amount contributed was $4,043, and the apportionment for 1927 is $4,200. The report was adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's annual report showed $25.48 on hand at the beginning of 1926; $16.25 paid in for expenses during the year, and $41.62 for the electric fixtures in the Kathleen Mallory Hospital in China. Disbursements as follows: Traveling expenses of superintendent, $6.60; postage, $2.10; $3.00 to Charlotte Division; $41.62 to Miss Laura Lazenby for Kathleen Mallory Hospital fixtures. Balance in treasury December 31, 1926, $30.03. The report was adopted.

"The Commendation of Mary" was the subject chosen by Mrs. Gardner for her annual address. This was followed by a demonstration given by a group from the G. A.'s of Churchland; subject, "What's the News?"

After discussion of the Ruby Anniversary by Miss Sallie McCracken, Mrs. Edna R. Harris, our state corresponding secretary who attended the meeting, gave a most inspiring address.

The superintendent named the following committees:

Nominations: Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Mrs. W. F. Flake, Mrs. A. R. Craver and Mrs. C. M. Howell.

Time and Place: Mrs. W. J. Griffin, Mrs. M. O. Alexander and Mrs. J. K. Hankins.

Resolutions: Miss Lantie Daniel and Mrs. D. S. Hayworth.

Obituary: Mrs. Paul Berry.

The Orphanage quartette sang, "Look, Look to the Comforter"

An open conference on Reports, Standards of Excellence, Personal Service and Apportionment was held in which Mrs.

Edna Harris gave very helpful information and suggestions. The Ruby Enlistment song was sung, led by the Churchland G. A.'s This was followed by a song from the Orphanage quartette, "Beautiful Garden of Prayer."

The meeting adjourned one hour for dinner.

At the opening of the afternoon service the devotional was conducted by Mrs. H. T. Stevens of High Point, with prayer by Rev. Paul V. Berry, of Denton.

The report of the field worker, Miss Lois Miller, was given and at the close seals were awarded to twenty-eight of those who attended the four training schools conducted by Miss Miller and Mrs. Gardner during August. The book used by Miss Miller was "Stewardship and Missions." Some items from the field worker's report follow: Churches visited, 13; meetings attended, 33; mission study classes taught, 19; W. M. U. awards, 28; laymen's certificates, 3; S. S. Normal seals, 23; total number seals, 54. The report was adopted.

A number of the Junior societies responded to the roll call. Miss Roxie Sheets gave her report as mission study leader. Four societies reported work done in 1926 with an enrollment of 122. The subject of mission study was discussed by Mrs. K. D. Stukenbrok. The report was adopted.

Mrs. Paul V. Berry, of Denton, discussed "God's Plan of Giving," after which a group of children from the Orphanage Sunbeam Band gave a playlet entitled "Mother Goose Missionaries." The New Friendship Y. W. A. was represented by a group who gave an exercise entitled "Gifts".

The various committees presented the following reports:

NOMINATIONS

Superintendent: Mrs. E. N. Gardner.
Associate Superintendent: Mrs. R. S. Green.
Secretary-Treasurer: Miss Sallie L. McCracken.
Mission Study Superintendent: Mrs. M. O. Alexander.
Personal Service Chairman: Mrs. C. C. Pritchard.
Y. W. A. Superintendent: Miss Bessie Tysinger.
Junior Superintendent: Mrs. W. J. Griffin.
Report adopted.

TIME AND PLACE

Third Thursday in August, Churchland.

RESOLUTIONS

We, the members of the W. M. U. of the Liberty Association do express our hearty thanks and deep appreciation for the many kindnesses bestowed and the bountiful lunch so attractively served by the women of the Thomasville church. Also we wish to express our appreciation to our superintendent and field worker for the beautiful and instructive posters and the map of the association showing clearly the extent of the W. M. U. work. This report was adopted by a rising vote.

OBITUARIES

Your committee reports the names of two members of the Orphanage society who have passed away since we last met, both loved and faithful workers, Miss Kate Warwick, who was leader of one of the Sunbeam bands and Miss Maude Mizelle. Of both of these it can be said: "She hath done what she could." "They rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

The following recommendations were made by the Executive Committee:

1. That we plan for the adoption of a constitution for our association at our next annual meeting.
2. That a field worker be employed for one month as has been done this year.
3. That the associational W. M. U. be re-districted as follows:

Thomasville District: New Friendship, Wallburg, Abbotts Creek, Thomasville, Orphanage, Rich Fork, Southside, Oak Hill.

Denton District: Holloways, Denton, Liberty, Westfield, Walters Grove, Summerville, Gravel Hill, Lick Creek, Taylors Grove.

Lexington District: Welcome, Erlanger, Lexington, Reeds, Churchland, Jersey, Stoner's Grove, Center Hill, Smith Grove.

After some discussion and listening to the reading of the constitution prepared by the Executive Committee to be presented at the next annual meeting the report was adopted.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. E. N. Gardner.

LIST OF SOCIETY OFFICERS FOR 1927

Abbotts Creek: President W. M. S., Miss Minnie Hayworth.

Center Hill: President W. M. S., Mrs. R. B. Sheets.

Churchland: President W. M. S., Mrs. W. A. Beeker; G. A. leader, Mrs. Hannah; R. A. leader, W. C. Harward.

Denton: President W. M. S., Mrs. Paul V. Berry; Y. W. A. Counselor, Miss Bessie Tysinger; Sunbeam leader, Mrs. A. L. Snider.

Holloways: President W. M. S., Mrs. W. H. Johnson; G. A. leader, Miss Tela Beanblossom; Sunbeam leader, Mrs. G. C. Palmer.

Jersey: President W. M. S., Mrs. R. L. Palmer.

Lexington: President W. M. S., Miss Roxie Sheets; Sunbeam leader, Mrs. B. C. Philpott.

New Friendship: President W. M. S., Mrs. W. J. Griffin; Y. W. A. Counselor, Miss Lelia Motsinger; G. A. and R. A. leader, Mrs. S. O. Hinkle; Sunbeam leader, Miss Naomi Swaim.

Orphanage: President W. M. S., Miss Sallie McCracken; Sunbeam leader, Miss Mary Cook.

Reeds: President W. M. S., Mrs. Alda Craver.

Rich Fork: President W. M. S., Mrs. B. L. West.

Stoner's Grove: President W. M. S., Mrs. A. F. Warfford.

Erlanger: President W. M. S., Mrs. M. L. Hull.

Thomasville: President W. M. S., Mrs. R. S. Green; G. A. leader, Mrs. C. M. Howell; Jr. G. A. leader, Mrs. M. O. Alexander; Sunbeam leader, Mrs. R. G. Jennings.

Wallburg: President W. M. S., Miss Clara Wall.

Welcome: President W. M. S., Mrs J. E. Childress.

B. Y. P. U. TABLE

	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermediate	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Standard Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Symtematic Givers	Total Number Bible Readers
Center Hill				1	1					18	18		
Denton		1	1		2			23	28		51		
Gravel Hill	1				1		24				24		
Jersey				1	1					26	26		12
Lexington		1	1	1	3			30	18	16	64	15	20
Liberty		1			1			24			24		
Orphanage		3	3	3	9	9		56	77	79	212	175	175
Reeds			1		1				40		40		
Southside				1	1					27	27		4
Stoners Grove				1	1					20	20	20	
Tabernacle		1			1			25			25		
Thomasville		1	1	1	3	2		20	26	50	96		
Wallburg		1			1			10			10		
Totals	1	9	7	9	26	11	24	188	189	236	637	210	211

PRESIDENTS AND LEADERS

Center Hill: Miss Annie Owens, Lexington, R. 6
Denton: Miss Flora Tysinger, Denton
Miss Ruth Smith, Denton
A. L. Snider, Denton
Jersey: Miss Elizabeth Smith, Linwood
Lexington: Gilmer Cross, Lexington
Fred Wilson, Lexington
Liberty: Miss Myrtle Hughes, Thomasville
Orphanage: Miss Nellie Tew, Thomasville
Miss Mabel Garland, Thomasville
Miss Elizabeth Rickman, Thomasville
Rev. E. N. Gardner, Thomasville
Reeds: Miss Annie Lee Leonard, Lexington, R. 3
Southside: J. F. Epps, Thomasville
Stoners Grove: Miss Mattie Lee Wrenn, Southmont
Tabernacle: Miss Myrtle Coleman, Erlanger
Thomasville: Mrs. E. C. Link, Thomasville
Douglas Crutchfield, Thomasville
Mrs. C. M. Howell, Thomasville
Prevette Westmoreland, Thomasville
Wallburg: Miss Evangeline Pardue, Wallburg

W. M. U. TABLE

CHURCHES	Missionary Societies	No. G. A.'s.	No. R. A.'s.	No. Sunbeams	W. M. S. Members	G. A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Enrolled in Mission Study	Total Gifts All Purposes
Abbotts Creek	1				10				175.90
Churchland	1				12				5.00
Denton	1				15				185.42
Holloways	1			1	24		12	20	68.71
Jersey	1				15				72.90
Lexington	1			1	103		50	35	833.00
New Friendship	1	1	1	1	18				126.95
Orphanage	1			4	35		120	26	1785.62
Reeds	1				18			11	44.86
Stoners Grove	1			1	10				68.72
Tabernacle	1				10				
Thomasville	1	1		1	50	12	27	50	641.20
Wallburg	1				14			9	
Welcome	1				10				34.92
Totals	14	2	1	9	344	12	209	151	4043.40

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SUNDAY SCHOOL TABLE

CHURCHES	SECRETARIES AND POSTOFFICES	Sunday School Enrollment										Special Information								
		Offi. & Teachers	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Cradle Roll	Home Dept.	Total	Av. Atttendance	Is it Graded	Standard A-1	Teachers Holding Diplomas	Baptisms	Gifts to Local Work	Gifts Missions, Orphanage, Etc		Vacation Bible School
Abbotts Creek	Floyd Teague, Kernersville, R. 1	9	.....	45	25	35	20	25	.....	.....	159	95	No	No	.....	2	101.88	291.69	No	No
Center Hill	S. E. Jarrett, Linwood	8	20	18	17	16	21	24	.....	.....	124	68	No	No	.....	5	87.11	108.05	No	No
Churchland	Miss Sula Barnes, Linwood, R. 1	15	22	15	33	33	46	34	25	.....	223	105	Yes	Yes	9	1	62.40	104.77	No	No
Denton	R. A. Allen, Denton	9	26	40	46	47	26	30	17	.....	241	140	No	No	.....	17	50.37	170.00	No	No
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, New Hope Acdy	6	20	10	8	26	20	17	.....	.....	107	60	No	No	.....	5	35.00	.....	No	No
Holloways	Coy Young, High Rock, R. 1	10	10	12	23	14	20	57	2	.....	148	75	No	No	5	1	50.00	21.70	No	No
Jersey	R. A. Tate, Linwood, R. 2	10	23	.....	25	16	26	32	.....	.....	132	67	Yes	No	5	8	55.87	56.05	No	No
Lexington	A. E. Sheets, Lexington	26	38	55	48	56	21	264	53	85	646	351	No	No	2	6	190.34	1375.81	No	No
Liberty	Mrs. Clara Grubb, Thomasv'e, R3	7	15	16	20	12	13	27	.....	.....	110	50	No	No	.....	.....	30.00	.....	No	No
Lick Creek	Miss Bettie Daniel, High Rock	5	6	4	4	8	6	5	.....	.....	38	28	No	No	.....	.....	.....	.....	No	No
New Friendship	H. F. Swaim, W.-Salem, R. 5	8	8	14	12	17	41	38	24	12	174	91	Yes	No	6	8	122.44	266.92	No	No
Oak Hill	Cleta Welborne, Thomasville	3	7	6	.....	10	8	12	.....	.....	46	20	No	No	.....	.....	.....	.....	No	No
Orphanage	Monroe Buchanan, Thomasville	45	32	121	160	132	22	9	16	.....	537	531	Yes	Yes	34	34	200.00	727.82	No	No
Reeds	O. R. Craver, Lexington, R. 3	14	44	28	28	20	36	75	.....	.....	245	170	No	No	.....	25	187.73	60.61	No	No
Rich Fork	Mrs. Zula Marsh, Thomasville	12	26	35	15	41	32	50	6	.....	217	120	No	No	.....	.....	50.00	90.00	No	No
Smith Grove	Walter Orrell, Linwood	7	6	7	6	6	12	22	.....	.....	66	45	No	No	.....	4	12.00	.....	No	No
Southside	Mrs. Isaline Byerly, Thomasville	15	26	19	44	40	38	43	.....	.....	225	84	Yes	No	3	1	114.79	46.20	No	No
Stoners Grove	Glenn Morris, Southmont	11	12	9	24	13	11	29	.....	.....	109	57	Yes	Yes	7	.....	84.74	136.93	No	No
Summerville	Miss Genie Rogers, High Rock	7	11	10	18	9	14	8	.....	.....	77	50	No	No	5	5	12.19	11.20	No	No
Tabernacle	E. S. Nance, Erlanger	21	20	68	80	56	72	95	.....	.....	412	240	No	No	.....	.....	.....	65.50	No	No
Taylors Grove	Grace Bailey, Tuckertown	4	.....	9	5	12	5	5	.....	.....	40	25	No	No	.....	.....	.....	.....	No	No
Thomasville	A. Z. Boles, Thomasville	26	49	82	77	70	44	156	44	104	652	306	Yes	No	15	21	493.94	1147.95	No	No
Wallburg	J. W. Craver, Wallburg	11	12	15	20	20	20	25	.....	.....	123	70	Yes	No	8	18	140.23	149.72	No	No
Walters Grove	Rosa Hill, Cid	5	10	6	3	15	10	15	.....	.....	64	40	No	No	.....	.....	.....	.....	No	No
Welcome	Miss Mary Bell Disher, Welcome	7	15	14	10	14	30	54	.....	.....	144	85	No	No	7	.....	28.50	.....	No	No
Westfield	Rettie Hughes, Fullers	8	15	15	15	20	25	20	8	.....	126	62	No	No	.....	6	27.01	11.85	No	No
	TOTALS	309	473	673	766	758	639	1171	195	201	5185	3035			106	167	2136.54	4842	79	

STATISTICAL REPORT OF CHURCHES

CHURCHES	PASTORS	S. S. SUPT. & POSTOFFICE	Baptisms	Church Membership	S. S. Membership	Co-operative Program (Undesignated)	Missions State, Home and Foreign	Benevolences Orphanage, Hospitals, Min. Relief	Christian Education	Denominational Contributions (Four preceding columns)	Local Church Contributions (Pastor's Salary, etc.)	Grand Total (Add last two totals)
Abbotts Creek	E. F. Mumford	D. S. Hayworth, High Point	2	189	159	88.90	38.70	793.61	.....	921.21	18582.38	19503.59
Center Hill	H. T. Penry	D. L. Tysinger, Lexington, R. 6	7	155	124	30.00	112.26	133.05	3.49	278.80	482.69	761.49
Churchland	R. C. Foster	W. H. Lomax, Linwood, R. 3	1	232	223	29.75	56.00	62.25	.....	151.00	901.48	1052.48
Denton	Paul V. Berry	A. L. Snider, Denton	18	244	241	301.20	.....	97.60	.....	398.80	1200.00	1598.80
Gravel Hill	P. D. Buck	Sam Scarlett, New Hope Acad'y	5	86	107	11.40	.....	15.00	.....	26.40	491.00	517.40
Holloways	H. T. Penry	J. W. Dickens, Lexington, R. 6	1	191	148	89.10	.....	87.60	.....	176.70	519.89	696.59
Jersey	H. T. Penry	Reid Smith, Linwood, R. 2	12	209	132	.....	29.67	72.92	.....	102.59	658.61	761.20
Lexington	C. A. Owens	Dr. C. R. Sharpe, Lexington	8	752	646	.....	639.48	2129.48	5.75	2774.71	10138.79	12913.50
Liberty	Paul V. Berry	N. T. Kindley, Thomasville	.....	146	110	73.28	.....	.....	.....	73.28	359.22	432.50
Lick Creek	Paul V. Berry	P. M. Snider, High Rock	2	106	38	54.00	.....	15.00	.....	69.00	239.00	308.00
New Friendship	John R. Miller	C. P. Motsinger, W.-Salem, R. 5	8	160	174	232.94	129.37	181.23	5.43	548.97	955.79	1504.76
Oak Hill		E. Searles, Thomasville	.....	30	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orphanage	E. N. Gardner	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	34	279	537	1394.31	508.21	817.79	136.37	2856.68	1389.06	4245.74
Reeds	R. C. Foster	Arlie Myers, Lexington, R. 3	31	254	245	.....	37.05	101.41	.....	138.46	1691.58	1830.04
Rich Fork	R. C. Foster	T. H. Small, Thomasville	4	208	217	100.00	.....	40.00	.....	140.00	2161.14	2301.14
Smith Grove	Earl Bradley	G. A. Clement, Linwood	5	83	66	13.03	.....	.....	.....	13.03	485.15	498.18
Southside	E. C. Roach	J. F. Epps, Thomasville	2	96	225	5.00	15.00	19.00	.....	39.00	746.26	785.26
Stoners Grove	H. T. Penry	S. C. Wafford, Linwood	.....	155	109	81.55	12.92	172.58	.....	267.05	1261.12	1528.17
Summerville	E. M. Brooks	Sam Buie, Denton	7	267	77	26.42	.....	6.59	.....	33.01	326.19	359.20
Tabernacle	Ira Freeman	W. H. Brown, Erlanger	23	231	412	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6713.01	6713.01
Taylors Grove	R. L. West	A. H. Michael, Tuckertown	.....	8	40	6.00	.....	3.00	.....	9.00	106.00	115.00
Thomasville	M. O. Alexander	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	23	482	652	1312.06	451.70	1280.70	50.00	3094.46	19599.21	22693.67
Wallburg	E. F. Mumford	C. R. Dodson, Wallburg	19	179	123	654.15	.....	321.15	10.15	985.45	786.29	1771.74
Walters Grove	J. H. Hanes	Howard Hunt, Cid	3	73	64	.....	.....	3.50	.....	3.50	76.00	79.50
Welcome	E. C. Roach	W. H. Snider, Welcome	.....	95	144	.....	35.00	96.56	9.07	140.63	909.83	1050.46
Westfield	J. H. Hanes		1	78	126	.....	8.00	11.85	.....	19.85	504.75	524.60
		TOTALS	216	4988	5185	4503.09	2073.36	6464.87	220.26	13261.58	71284.44	84546.02

FINANCIAL TABLE

CHURCHES	TREASURER & POSTOFFICE	For Support of Local Church Work											Missions, Education, Orphanage and Hospital												
		Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature S.S., B.Y.P.U. and W. M. S.	Help Given Local Poor	For Minutes and Clerk	Other Objects	Total Local Church	Cooperative Program	Association Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Education	Schools and Colleges	Hospitals	Orphanage	Ministers' Relief	Foreign Relief	Total all Missions, Education, Benevolence	Grand Total
Center Hill	C. E. Sturgeon, High Point, R. 4	200.00		127.00	18000.00	6.00	101.88		5.00	142.50	18582.38	88.90			23.70	15.00			68.25	725.36			921.21	19503.59
Churchland	R. B. Sheets, Lexington, R. 6	250.08		54.00		52.50	87.11		3.00	36.00	482.69	30.00	92.14	20.12			3.49		25.00	108.05			278.80	761.49
Denton	L. E. Rickard, Linwood, R. 1	600.00	38.19	38.19	49.60	72.00	86.00		5.00	12.50	901.48	29.75			25.00	25.00			4.00	61.25		6.00	151.00	1052.48
Gravel Hill	W. H. Snider, Denton	800.00		120.00	100.00	105.00	75.00				1200.00	301.20								97.60			398.80	1598.80
Abbotts Creek	Miss Pallie Allred, Denton	250.00		20.00	185.00		34.50		1.50		491.00	11.40							5.00	10.00			26.40	517.40
Holloways	D. R. Beanblossom, High Rock	400.00		50.30			50.00		5.00	14.59	519.89	89.10							47.60	40.00			176.70	696.59
Jersey	J. T. Barnes, Linwood, R. 1	500.00		50.05		46.69	55.87		6.00		658.61		29.67						16.87	56.05			102.59	761.20
Lexington	S. L. Owens, Lexington	3600.00	780.00	230.00	396.66	1138.42	190.34	551.75	25.00	3226.62	10138.79		25.00	68.00	213.00	333.48		5.75	120.81	2008.67			2774.71	12913.50
Liberty	N. T. Kindley, Thomasville	300.00		26.22			30.00		3.00		359.22	73.28											73.28	432.50
Lick Creek	J. E. Skeen, High Rock	175.00		54.00			7.00		3.00		239.00	54.00								15.00			69.00	308.00
New Friendship	C. F. Motsinger, W-Salem	600.00		125.60		88.75	122.44		4.00	15.00	955.79	232.94		50.00	48.66	30.71		5.43	26.52	130.46		24.25	548.97	1504.76
Oak Hill	Fred Shuler, Thomasville																							
Orphanage	Miss Sallie McCracken, Thomasv.	1200.00		85.00						104.06	1389.06	1394.31	5.00	193.51	34.70	275.00	58.92	77.45	83.74	593.25	48.01	92.79	2856.68	4245.74
Reeds	A. R. Myers, Lexington, R. 3	600.00		175.00	350.00	63.00	75.85		5.00	422.73	1691.58				6.44	30.61			18.41	60.00		23.00	138.46	1830.04
Rich Fork	J. F. Small, Thomasville	300.00			1561.14	40.00	40.00		5.00	215.00	2161.14	100.00								40.00			140.00	2301.14
Smith Grove	G. A. Clement, Linwood	200.00		100.00	173.15		12.00				485.15	13.03											13.03	498.18
Southside	J. T. Scroggs, Thomasville	536.00		25.00		22.14	35.27	31.85	2.00	94.00	746.26	5.00		15.00					4.00	15.00			39.00	785.26
Somers Grove	S. E. Wafford, Linwood	844.04		50.00		48.55	65.85		5.00	247.68	1261.12	81.55		12.92					20.00	152.58			267.05	1528.17
Summerville	Mrs. Essie Davis, High Rock	200.00		86.00		8.00	12.19		2.50	17.50	326.19	26.42							3.21	3.38			33.01	359.20
Tabernacle	Miss Emma Teague, Erlanger	2259.00		150.00	4000.00	124.00	167.51	17.50	4.00		6713.01													6713.01
Taylors Grove	Miss Grace Bailey, Tuckertown	75.00		15.00		10.00	5.00		1.00		106.00	6.00								3.00			9.00	115.00
Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	3000.00	385.00	430.00	14085.70	644.07	493.94	50.00	15.00	495.50	19599.21	1312.06		150.00	150.00	151.70	40.00	10.00	80.70	1200.00			3094.46	22693.67
Wallburg	C. C. Smith, Wallburg	500.00		88.33		192.96			5.00		786.29	654.15						10.15	51.25	269.90			985.45	1771.74
Walters Grove	J. T. Pierce, Cid	75.00							1.00		76.00									3.50			3.50	79.50
Welcome	E. S. Craver, Welcome	250.00		26.09	490.00	14.00	28.50		3.00	98.24	909.83			15.00	10.00	10.00	5.06	4.07	7.50	84.06	5.00		140.63	1050.46
Westfield	J. C. Loftin, Fullers	200.00			225.00	12.00	12.29	1.75	3.00	50.71	504.75			3.00	2.00	3.00				11.85			19.85	524.60
	TOTALS	17905.12	1203.19	2125.78	39616.25	2688.08	1788.54	652.85	112.00	5192.63	71284.44	4503.09	151.81	527.55	513.50	874.50	107.41	112.85	582.86	5688.96	53.01	146.04	13261.58	84546.02

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AND PROPERTY TABLE

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LIST OF ORDAINED MINISTERS

Pastors and Postoffices

M. O. Alexander	Thomasville, N. C.
Earl Bradley	Asheville, N. C.
E. M. Brooks	Albemarle, N. C.
Paul V. Berry	Denton, N. C.
P. D. Buck	High Point, N. C.
L. A. Connell	Denton, N. C.
R. C. Foster	Linwood, N. C.
E. N. Gardner	Thomasville, N. C.
J. M. Hayes	Lexington, N. C.
J. H. Hanes	Jamestown, N. C.
Jno. R. Miller	Kernersville, N. C.
E. F. Mumford	Wallburg, N. C.
H. T. Penry	Southmont, N. C.
E. C. Roach	Jamestown, N. C.
R. L. West	Albemarle, N. C.
W. Ross Yokely	Erlanger, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS LIVING IN THE ASSOCIATION WHO ARE NOT PASTORS

Ford A. Burns	Thomasville, N. C.
S. Bishop	Lexington, N. C.
S. M. Davis	Welcome, N. C.
J. L. Fortney	Thomasville, N. C.
M. L. Kesler	Thomasville, N. C.
E. H. Mullis	Thomasville, N. C.
J. D. Newton	Thomasville, N. C.
Ronald Wall	Lexington, N. C.

MISSIONARY TO CHINA

Arthur R. Gallimore

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

M. L. Kesler	Thomasville, N. C.
G. W. Miller	Lexington, N. C.
L. E. Teague	Thomasville, N. C.
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C. C. Wrenn	Southmont, N. C.
W. H. Lomax	Linwood, N. C.

BAPTIST INSTITUTION LOCATED IN THE ASSOCIATION

Thomasville Baptist Orphanage.
Superintendent: M. L. Kesler, Thomasville, N. C.
Treasurer: F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville, N. C.

W. M. U. Field Worker
Miss Lois Miller.....Kernersville, N. C.

B. Y. P. U. Presidena:
Miss Alva Lawrence.....Thomasville, N. C.

Associational Director:
E. N. Gardner.....Thomasville, N. C.

Orphanage Representative:
J. L. Fortney.....Thomasville, N. C.

Representative on State Mission Board:
M. L. Kesler.....Thomasville, N. C.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention:
J. A. Kinney.....High Rock, N. C.

Delegate to Baptist State Convention:
J. M. Hayes.....Lexington, ... C.

W. M. U. Associational Superintendent:
Mrs. E. N. Gardner.....Thomasville, N. C.

MINUTE FUND APPOINTMENT AS APPOINTED BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Abbotts Creek	$ 6.00
Center Hill	4.00
Churchland	6.00
Denton	6.00
Erlanger	4.00
Gravel Hill	2.50
Holloways	5.00
Jersey	6.00
Lexington	25.00
Liberty	4.00
Lick Creek	3.50
New Friendshij	5.00
Oak Hill	2.00
Orphanage	12.00
Reeds	5.00
Rick Fork	5.00
Smith Grove	4.00
Southside	3.00
Westfield	3.00
Stoners Grove	6.00
Summerville	3.00

Taylor's Grove	1.00
Thomasville	15.00
Wallburg	6.00
Walter's Grove	1.00
Welcome	5.00

DELEGATES IN ATTENDANCE FROM THE VARIOUS CHURCHES

Abbotts Creek—W. D. Spurgeon, C. H. Teague, Roy Hayworth, D. S. Hayworth, Mrs. N. R. Teague, Mable Hayworth, Minnie Hayworth and C. H. Bodenheimer.

Center Hill—H. L. Miller, I. G. Yarbrough and J. F. Jarrett.

Churchland—W. H. Lomax, E. A. Allred and L. E. Rickard.

Denton—Mrs. R. A. Allen, Mrs. R. C. Wall, J. J. Snider, Mrs. J. J. Snider, Mrs. C. E. Clyatt, A. L. Snider, L. A. Connell, Mary Snider, Vada Garner, W. T. Harris, Mrs. J. E. Russell, Mrs. W. T. Harris, Mrs. L. A. Connell, W. B. Russell, Mrs. Charlie Lambeth, Miss Lantie Daniel.

Gravel Hill—J. F. Lanier, Sam Scarlett.

Holloways—Geo. L. Palmer, J. F. H. Daniel, J. W. Lookabill,

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Jersey—A. A. Graves, Reid Smith, W. L. Roach, Willie Smith.

Lexington—G. W. Miller, T. L. Henderson, J. E. Starr, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, S. J. Smith, Mrs. S. J. Smith.

Liberty—H. P. May, O. F. Hughes, Mrs. Jennie Hughes, Miss Myrtle Hughes, Mrs. L. E. Hepler, Joe Hepler.

Lick Creek—P. M. Snider, V. K. Skeen, Mrs. V. K. Skeen, Stokes Carrick, David Cross, Mrs. J. A. Kinney.

New Friendship—R. E. Lambeth, E. L. Snider, W. A. Smith.

Oak Hill—M. F. Underwood, Leona Welborn, Hattie Royals, Fred Shuler.

Orphanage—M. L. KeKsler, H. G. Early, Mrs. Lettie Britton, Miss Elizabeth Rickman, Miss Alva Lawrence, Mrs. E. N. Gardner.

Reeds—J. N. Myers, J. F. Foster, Mrs. R. A. Hill, Annie Lee Leonard.

Rich Fork—B. L. West, Paul Eddinger, T. H. Small, G. T. Everhart.

Smith Grove—R. H. Beck, J. E. Lassiter, G. A. Clemant.

Southside—W. A. McCarn, M. P. Workman, E. H. Mullis.

Stoners Grove—S. E. Wafford, Walter L. Wafford, J. E. Wrenn, Jr.

Summerville—Frank Shipton, Will Davis, Ruffin Davis.

Tabernacle—Rev. W. Ross Yokely, W. C. Darnell, Mrs. Kelley

Hughes, Mrs. B. L. Hames, Mrs. M. L. Hull, Miss Emmo Teague, R. L. Corbin.

Taylors Grove—A. H. Michael, Mrs. J. M. Coggins, Mrs. Flata Russell, Miss Grace Bailey.

Thomasville—Archibald Johnson, Mrs. R. S. Greene, W. G. Fitzgerald, Rev. M. O. Alexander, L. E. Teague, Woodrow Teague.

Wallburg—G. W. Wall, C. C. Smith, J. H. Yokely.

Walter's Grove—J. T. Pierce, James Gallimore, Walter Hughes.

Welcome—W. S. Disher, E. L. Davis, M. L. Craver, J. F. Crotts.

Westfield—G. B. Loftin, E. A. Sprinkle, J. W. Jester, Rettie Hughes.

PROCEEDINGS

Holloways Baptist Church, High Rock, N. C.
September 4, 1928

The 95th session of the Liberty Baptist Association convened with the Holloways church on Tuesday, September 4, 1928, at 10:00 a. m. Devotional services were conducted by Albert L. Snider of Denton, N. C.

The body was called to order by Moderator, Archibald Johnson.

ORGANIZATION

The following officers were elected: Moderator, Archibald Johnson; vice-moderator, E. N. Gardner; clerk and treasurer, Sam J. Smith.

The following report on the Biblical Recorder was read by J. W. Dickens, Jr.

REPORT ON THE BIBLICAL RECORDER

The Biblical Recorder, an organ of the Baptist State Convention, being founded in 1833 by Thomas Meredith, is in its ninety-fifth year. It is published every Wednesday at West Hargett Street 121-123, Raleigh, North Carolina.

The Recorder, during all these years, has been keeping those who read it, in touch with the great work the Baptists are doing at home, in the nation, and also in the foreign countries, in which we have missionaries.

The interesting contributions from leading missionaries, from time to time, give us some idea of the great opportunities we have for the evangelization of the world. Also the fine articles that we have the opportunity of reading on various topics of the day, discussed by men of fine intellect and whose lives have been alluminated by the Savior of men, are indeed more than worth the price of the paper to the subscriber. Then too, we have articles on the Sunday School, the Baptist Young People's Union and Woman's Missionary Union, which are very helpful.

The Recorder is a paper that should come into every Baptist home in the State of North Carolina. We, as a people are anxious to read our daily paper and should be, but should we not, as Baptist, be equally interested in our church paper in order that we might be able to keep in touch with the activities of this great Baptist denomination with which we have allied ourselves, and promised our support?

There are about 5,000 Baptists in the Liberty Association, and about one out of every thirty six are subscribers to the Recorder. When we think of this small number of copies that are coming

into our homes in the Liberty Association, it should be, and am sure it is embarrassing to us as a Baptist People.

Let us renew our efforts, and try during the coming year to increase the number of subscriptions to the Biblical Recorder as we have not done before, to the end, that most of the Baptist families in this Association receive a copy weekl yand by so doing, shall, by the interesting information received, be lead on to greater activities for our Lord and Master.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. DICKENS, Jr.

The report was discussed by J. W. Dickens, Jr., B. G. Early, Representative of said paper, and was adopted.

NEW PASTORS IN THE ASSOCIATION

The following new ministers were recognized and welcomed as new pastors in the association: Rev. W. Ross Yokely, pastor of the Tabernacle church, Erlanger, N. C. Rev. J. M. Hayes, pastor of the First Baptist church, Lexington, N. C.

VISITORS

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to seats in the body: Dr. I. M. Mercer, president of the North Carolina State Baptist Convention and Rev. B. G. Early, representing the Biblical Recorder.

ANNUAL SERMON

The annual sermon was preached by Rev. M. L. Kesler, Superintendent of the Thomasville Baptist Orphanage, Thomasville, N. C. His Scripture reading was from the 10th chapter of Luke, 1st to 23rd verses inclusive. He used as his text the 18th and 21st verses; his subject being, "The First Missionary Report."

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

The following committees were appointed by the Moderator:

On Digest of Church Letters: M. O. Alexander, Walter Wafford and R. C. Foster.

On Finance: G. W. Miller, G. C. Palmer and W. G. Fitzgerald.

On Time, Place and Preacher: L. E. Teague, H. T. Penry and E. N. Gardner.

On Nominations: M. O. Alexander, M. L. Kesler, D. S. Hayworth, J. M. Hayes and E. N. Gardner.

The body adjourned till 1:30 p. m.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION 1:30 P. M.

The devotional was conducted by Rev. John R. Miller, pastor of the New Friendship church.

The following report on Hospitals was read by Mrs. R. S. Green, of Thomasville, N. C.

REPORT ON BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Our Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem passed its fifth birthday on May 29th of this year, and from small beginnings has had a marvelous growth and is recognized today as one of the leading Baptist hospitals of the South.

Nearly ten thousand patients have received treatment since it was opened and no one can estimate how many lives have been saved nor the amount of suffering relieved through its ministrations. The charity work alone would justify our hearty support, for thus the work of Him "who went about doing good" is carried on.

It is a lamentable fact that this year about four thousand dollars less than last year has been received for this good work, and with this situation on hand, there have been greater demands than ever before. The income from Mother's Day offerings was around $12,000. At the rate at which applications for charity work have been coming in, it would take about $35,000 to care for them this year, and the hospital cannot meet these demands without going heavily in debt.

One cause for congratulation is the completion of the Nurses Home this year. At the beginning of the year there was a debt of $14,000 on this home, for which the Duke endowment promises $5,000, provided it is all paid within the year. Some of this has already been paid and more will come from the running expenses and must be applied to this debt rather than to charity work, as some $7,000 was used last year.

Our hospital offers the best in comfort, service and care—with the fine staff of doctors, Christian Nurses and other workers in the institution, as well as the interest and sympathy of the Baptist women of Winston-Salem.

The death rate last year was lower than any other hospital reporting to the Duke endowment.

Therefore we can with assurance urge our Baptist people who can pay, to patronize our own hospital where they receive and benefit by this fine service and thus increase the income and make possible a larger service for those in need.

The Management suggests the following which we recommend:

1st—That we urge all of our people to carry their pay pati-

ents there when possible and give the Hospital the advantage of this increased revenue.

2nd—That Churches sending charity patients will either themselves pay the sum of $1.50 a day, or get the family and community to join them in raising this much that the Hospital may be helped to tide over this emergency. This will mean a very little for the church or community but when 500 churches do this, it means a great deal for the Hospital. The Hospital must take those who need to come and by dividing the burden with the churches, it can do so. If the churches fail to do this, then the Hospital will be compelled to turn all charity down after the money appropriated has been all spent.

3rd—Pray for the Hospital, talk about it in your church and Sunday school and in every way encourage our people to support the great institution dedicated to the business of relieving suffering and saving life.

4th—Remember to put on the program and take an offering for this great work on Mother's Day, or some other day, in the Sunday school for the care of those who are suffering and have no money.

Do all this for Jesus' sake and for the sake of our brother for whom our Master died.

MRS. R. S. GREEN.

The report was discussed by Dr. I. M. Mercer, and was adopted.

The following report on State Missions was read by Rev. E. F. Mumford; pastor of Abbotts Creek church:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

For the past 98 years North Carolina Baptists have been trying to imprint the life and ideals of Christ on the State. Great progress has been made, but the task is far from being finished.

There are now in the State of North Carolina more than one-half million unsaved people above the age of accountability. There are 2,368 Baptist churches in the State, but 634 of these reported no baptisms last year. Thus we see the vital need of evangelism.

The great problem fronting our people today is how to enlist the masses in rendering service and giving of their means to support the Lord's work. Hundreds of churches and thousands of our members give nothing of their means to aid the work. This condition prevails throughout the State. Why? not because of information, but because of the love for material things.

The industrial situation throughout Piedmont North Carolina is as challenging as it is imperative. Industries from New

England are pouring into this section, bringing the same problems and perils that have blighted the religious life of the North and East. This situation must be met or we shall suffer irreparable loss. A number of towns in this section are now asking for aid, but sufficient aid can't be furnished.

North Carolina Baptists are attacking their problems through the General Board of which Dr. Charles E. Maddry is General Secretary. This Board is divided into four distinct departments, Missions, Education, Training Activities and Benevolences.

The department of Missions, of which Walter M. Gilmore is secretary, aided this year in paying the salaries of 87 pastors serving 134 churches. To these churches last year were added 1,456 members by baptism and 1,263 by letter and otherwise.

Mrs. W. N. Jones, president of the Woman's Mission Union and Mrs. Edna R. Harris, Corresponding Secretary reported in their last report the following: 2,947 active Missionary Societies, of which 708 were organized during the past year, $278,083 paid to benevolences going beyond their goal.

Mr. Perry Morgan, secretary and Miss Gladys Beck, Elementary secretary of the Sunday school department with their co-workers in their last report reported 2,258 Baptist Sunday schools in the State with a membership of 334,233, an increase over the previous year, of more than 10,000.

B. Y. P. U. Department—James A. Ivey, Secretary; Winnie Rickett, Junior Intermediate Secretary; Marguerite Harrison and Mary Frances Biggers are field workers. The last eport gives 1928 B. Y. P. U., organizations with a membership of 44,344.

Evangelistic Department—We now have three white evangelists, J. M. Page, J. R. Cantrell, Raleigh, and S. T. Hensley, High Point, and one negro evangelist, J. H. Moore, Durham.

Student Activities—The Board is co-operating in maintaining the following student workers: L. H. Tapscott, Chapel Hill; Yancey C. Elliott, N. C. State, Raleigh; Cleo Mitchell, N. C. C. W., Greensboro, and Miss Joy Beaman, Boone.

Preachers School—This school conducted for ten days in June at Meredith College enrolled 325 preachers and their wives, and is one of the most hopeful agencies of our work.

Another most effective agency of the Board is the Baptist Book Shop, Madge Alderman, Manager, through which any religious book may be obtained.

Out of each dollar given to the Co-operative Program undesignated, 23 cents of it goes to State Missions. Many times the amount now being expended for State Missions could be wisely spent and the givers would be greatly blessed thereby.

We are endebted to the office at Raleigh for these facts.

Respectfully submitted,

E. F. MUMFORD.

The report was discussed by by Dr. I. M. Mercer and E. F. Mumford and was adopted.

The following report on Foreign Missions was read by Miss Elizabeth Smith of the Jersey church:

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Foreign Missions had a great year. Baptisms exceed previous year, despite disturbances and shortage in workers. Disturbances in China are far less acute and persecution in Rumania is terminated.

Inspite of disturbances of various kind and quite a number of Missionaries detained at home on furloughs some sick and not able to go back to their work and still others that could not go for lack of funds. The Foreign Mission Board was able to report to the convention that a total of 12,542 baptisms had been reported from the Mission churches during the year.

A net gain over the previous year of 457 and not all the churches reported. There is connected with our Board on the foreign field 1,275 churches, with a membership of 14,672 members. These churches reach out to 2,861 out stations where preaching is held from time to time.

675 of these mission churches is self supporting, while 959 own their houses of worship. The contribution of the mission churches averaged $3.30 per captia.

There is 1,538 Sunday schools on the foreign field and they have an enrollment of 75,118. And in the Mission Schools maintained by the Board 587 in number, there was enrolled during the year 26,244 students. The Boards indebtedness has been reduced $79,938.56 since January 1st and its debts today stand at, $1,065,791.18.

There are 176 Missionaries at home. We have had to reduce our number to 494 a net loss of nine per cent, or a loss of fifty missionaries in three years. And there remain fifty who would or could go back to their work but for the lack of funds.

God help Southern Baptists to unlock the door behind which stands the call of God to his white harvest fields now.

Respectfully Submitted,

MISS ELIZABETH SMITH.

The report was discussed by Dr. I. M. Mercer and was adopted.

BAPTIST WORLD'S ALLIANCE

At this time an exceedingly interesting address on the Baptist World's Alliance was delivered by Rev. J. M. Hayes, pastor of the Lexngton church. Rev. Mr. Hayes attended said meeting.

Remarks were also made by Rev. John R. Miller of New Friendship, John A. Kinney, of Lick Creek and Rev. E. N. Gardner of the Orphanage church, all of whom attended the meeting.

RESOLUTION CONCERNING CHURCHES THAT FAIL TO CONTRIBUTE TO BENEVOLENCES

The following resolution, which was offered at the 1927 session of the association and tabled to be acted on at this time, was read by Sam J. Smith, Clerk of the association:

Inasmuch as the Liberty Association has as its chief function the propagation of a missionary spirit among our people, and inasmuch as a church which fails to contribute to beneficences outside its local budget fails to justify its claim o fbeing a missionary Baptist church, we therefore recommend that a church which contributes nothing to missionary objects beyond its borders have the fellowship of the association removed from it, if after a year from its report to the association it shows no improvement in its gifts.

Submitted by E. Norfleet Gardner September 7, 1927, to be acted upon at the 1928 session of the Liberty Association.

Motion was made and seconded that said resolution be adopted; it was discussed by Rev. E. N. Gardner and Rev. M. L. Kesler and was adopted by the body.

The association adjourned till 7:30 p. m.

EVENING SESSION TUESDAY 7:30 P. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. Walter Wafford of Southmont.

The following report on B. Y. P. U. was read by Miss Alva Lawrence of the Orphanage church:

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

Concerning the work of our young people of the Liberty association much could be said. We feel that it is growing and we trust that the "babe" of three years—our associational B. Y. P. U. will soon spring into full grown manhood. There were reported 28 unions during the year 13 Senior, 7 Intermediate and 8 Junior—Twelve of these were standard at least a part of the year. Four churches reported general organizations—The In-

termediate B. Y. P. U. number 1 of the Thomasville Orphanage was awarded the state efficiency banner for the year. The B. Y. P. U. spirit is growing, and the deepening spirituality on the part of many is indeed noticeable and the associational officers seem to awakening to the importance and dignity of their position, and will in due time arouse each and every church to her duty to her young people. We earnestly desire the loyal support and hearty cooperation of our pastors and older church members for the coming year. In a church in which the pastor is a B. Y. P. U. enthusiast there are inevitable results. The B. Y. P. U. is the main source for future leadership. Our former state president, Mr. E. N. Gardner has been a great asset to the work. With the consecrated effort of each person in our realm we hope to help our associational president, Miss Elizabeth Smith, win them all to the side of the B. Y. P. U.

OFFICERS OF LIBERTY B. Y. P. U. ASSOCIATION

President .....Miss Elizabeth Smith, Linwood
Vice Pres. (Lexington group).....Turner S. Wall, Jr. Lexington
Vice Pres. (Thomasville group).....Mattie Teague, Thomasville
Vice Pres. (Denton group).....Mrs. Wm. Grubb, Denton
Junion Intermediate Leader.....Miss Mary Winborne, Thomasville
Secretary-Treasurer.....Mrs. C. M. Howell, Thomasville
Chorister.....L. M. Hansel, Thomasville
Pianist.....Annie Lee Leonard, Thomasville
Chairman of committees:
Program.....Miss Elizabeth Smith
Extension.....Edwin Barnes
Social.....Miss Alva Lawrence
Missionary.....Miss Olivia Hocutt

Respectfully submitted,
ALVA LAWRENCE.

The report was discusses by Rev. E. N. Gardner, and in connection with the discussion of this report the Senior B. Y. P. U. of the First church Lexington rendered a missionary pageant entitled, "The Heroine of Ava."

The pageant was rendered with high credit to the Lexington, B. Y. P. U. to a large and attentive audience.

The report was adopted. The association adjourned till 9:30 Wednesday morning.

WEDNESDAY MORNING SEPTEMBER 5, 9:30 A. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. John R. Miller of Kernersville, N. C.

The following report on The Orphanage was read by C. C. Wrenn:

REPORT ON THOMASVILLE BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

We deem it unnecessary and unwise at this time to attempt to give a statistical report of the operation of our Orphanage, since Dr. Kesler has thoroughly informed us in his last Annual Report which has been published in Charity and Children, and other literature.

The Orphanage has been for more than forty years one of the outstanding institutions of our denomination from the standpoint of service rendered. It is an institution surpassed by none other of its kind in our country, and one of which we should all justly be proud. It is highly efficient in management and supervision, and the class of service rendered is unquestionable. But the sad and lamentable part is that it is inadequate in a financial way to meet the demands made on it from day to day by helpless mothers and children. Because of this fact, its doors are being closed in the face of from fifty to one hundred children per month. In view of the above stated facts let every Baptist in North Carolina, resolve to be a more loyal supporter of our Orphanage.

We would suggest, and highly recommend, that every Sunday school make a regular monthly contribution to the Orphanage. Then we would also insist that every Sunday school take a sufficient number of Charity and Children to put a copy in every home. We would furthermore recommend, that every Baptist in this Association make a thank offering to the Orphanage during the Thanksgiving season of not less than one day's wage, or one day's income.

May God speed the day when the financial support of this institution will be sufficient to enable it to meet every worthy demand made upon it.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. WRENN.

The report was discussed by C. C. Wrenn, Rev. M. L. Kesler. Charlie Teague and was adopted.

The following report on Home Missions was read by Rev. R. C. Foster:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

Our annual Home Missio nreport shows drastic retrenchment in appropriations and a loss of scores of workers.

In almost every department the work has been impeded by lack of equipment and the reduction of forces. The Southern

Baptist convention instructed the Home Board, in the 1927 convention, to hold appropriations within receipts of the previous year. This meant a reduction in operation of nearly 33 1-3 per cent, involving in one department alone, that of Independent and Direct Missions a discontinuance of twenty five workers, while other departments have suffered proportionatley. This was done, and wisely so, to liquidate some of the heavy debts on our Board. The department of Independant and Direct Missions embodies all of the direct mission work among foreigners, Indians, deaf mutes, soldiers and seamen in various states in our southland.

Many of these fields are now closed and desorted while the need has never been more vital and pressing. We must meet the problem of social and political orgies and the subtle influences of the priests now flooding our southland territory into which there is an influence of easily influenced foreigners. Catholics are doing an aggressive missionary work among our foreign population and producing ideas hostile to evangelical Christianity. The states in which these problems are more actually felt, are not able to cope with the situation. We must come to their help and the Home Mission Board is the agency through which this assistance must be rendered. Evne though Supt. Beagle and his workers have labored under difficulties they have increased zeal and have done much good in their fields of work. Their future outlook is promising.

The work among our soldiers and seamen has been little, because of retrenchment. We have only four workers in this field.

Dr. Ellis A. Fuller and his force of sixteen have done a noble work during the year. The department of Evangelism is the only department that has held its full force. This is probably because of the efforts of the efficient Superintendent, and the youth of the department. We shall feel the loss of Dr. Fuller's going to be pastor of the First Baptist church of Atlanta, Ga.

Our Sanitorium at El Passo(Texas has increased patronage and usefulness, but in need of building and endowment.

What is the cause of all the retrenchment, is a common question now. There is seemingly a spiritual coldness covering the country which has effected all branches of missions probably caused by storms, floods, poor crops and the approaching political campaign. There is a spiritual unrest among our people. The attention of our people is being given to other things than missions.

We need devine guidance and the best wisdom we can command wit hreference to our work in the future. We pray for

this guidance and wisdom. Our past has not been a failure. We have every reason for thanking God for his abundant mercies. The opportunities before us are bewildering in their numbers and magnitude. Let us quit ourselves like men and gird ourselves afresh for the great tasks before us.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. FOSTER.

The report was discussed by Rev. J. M. Hayes of Lexington, Rev. Jno. R. Miller, Rev. M. L. Kesler, G. W. Miller, B. G. Earley, E. N. Gardner and was adopted.

The following report on Woman's Work was read by Mrs. E. N. Gardner of the Orphanage church:

REPORT ON WOMEN'S WORK

Woman's Missionary Union, as a body, loves watchwords. The watchword of our North Carolina Union is, "For ye serve the Lord Christ." The watchword of the Southern W. M. U., is "Laborers together with God." The watchword of us all in this year of great hope and great achievement is, "Enlarge—spare not—lengthen—strengthen."

So as we review our work of the past year, we do so mindful of the fact that, laboring together, we serve the Lord Christ. For him is our labor; for the furtherance of his kingdom to the uttermost parts of the earth; for the increase of his spirit in our communities; fo rthe growth of his grace in our own hearts. Unless we feel a strong sense of the truth of this fact, a living chord binding what we do to what he wants, then all our labor is but a vain bustling to and fro. If we do feel that relationship, he will bless our efforts to his service.

A chart tells the story of the stewardship of the Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association for the year 1927. I call your attention to the fact that, in accordance with the W. M. U. policy, we report from January to January; but in order that we may record what has been done in recent months, I add a chart of the first two quarters of the current year. It will easily be seen, then, that the table may be divided into three six-month periods; the first half of 1927, the totals for which are included in the next report, that for the whole year; and the first half of 1928. Thus we get a running view of our work for eighteen months, not only showing the activities of the calendar year, but also the progress from Associational meeting to Associational meeting.

CHART OF ACHIEVEMENT AND PROGRESS
LIBERTY ASSOCIATIONAL W. M. U.

	Jan. 1, 1927	July 1, 1927	Jan. 1, 1928	July 1, 1928
Churches in Ass'n	26	26	26	26
Societies in Ass'n	22	25	29	37
W. M. S.	13	14	16	15
Y. W. A.	0	1	3	4
G. A.	3	4	4	6
R. A.	1	1	2	2
S. B.	6	6	6	10
Churches without societies	13	12	10	11
Women and young people in chs.	4972		1605	1619
	(This report very incomplete)			
Members of Sos.	634		973	830
	(This report very incomplete)			
Societies reporting four quarters			16	(2 quar 22
Sosieties reporting personal services	6		14	16
Societies reporting Miss. Study Classes	4	(15 classes)	16	8
Miss Study Awards			16	271
Societies reporting tithers	3		8	
Number tithers	31		112	
Societies observed week of prayer	7		11	17
State Miss. Program	8		9	
Christmas offering	7		13	
Home Miss. offering	2		10	
Subscriptions to Home and Foreign Field	68		68	
Royal Service	52		78	
World Comrades	6		18	
Biblical Recorder	86		119	
Pts. reached in Association Standard	5		9	
Pledge		$4,200.00	$4,200.00	$6,064.10
Gifts $4,053.00		$1,552.75	$4,185.67	$2,455.58

Report of Superintendent:
Letters and postals written, 244.
Miles traveled, 557.

Number attending Associational meeting, 1927, 225; Societies represented 19.

Number attending Associational meeting, 1928, 95; Societies represented 27.

Let us study this table; it tells us some interesting things. Taking first the gifts, we note that our Associational W. M. U. just failed to meet its pledge of four thousand two hundred dollars by a matter of some fifteen dollars. This was a great disappointment to us, and could have been avoided if the individual societies had been prompt and accurate about reporting. We honor Abbott's Creek, Holloways, Lexington and the Orphanage, Tabernacle and Wallburg, who met their individual society pledges, small or large. Only a few of our churches—Churchland, Reeds, Tabernacle, the Orphnaage and Wallburg, have given one half their pledge in the first half of this year. For some of these, this means a goodly sum, as the pledges which they assumed were large; for some, the pledge were small and, with the enlarged vision which has come to them, will not measure or limit their gifts this Ruby Anniversary year. It needs also to be said that the Thomasville Union, which assumed the very large pledge of fourteen hundred dollars, by a special offering completed the giving of half of that before the Associational meeting, though not in time to count in the first two quarters.

We see from this report that the women have given about $900 more the first half of this year than during the corresponding part of last year; but this is the Ruby Anniversary eYar, and our aims are much greater. Last year our apportionment was $4,200; this year it is $6,064.10; so for the first six months we have given proportionately about the same amount; around 40% of the whole.

Turning now from gifts to the other evidences of life, growth and service in the various societies, we see with thankfulness that gains have been made in practically every line of our work. We rejoice especially over the notable gains made along the line of mission study, for we feel that here lies the secret spring of our increased earnestness and activity in all other lines as well. So too, the almost equally large increase in the number of societies reporting personal service is very gratifying.

The number of societies reporting tithers has more than doubled, and the number of tithers reported almost quadrupled; yet these figures represent a very small proportion of our societies or of our members. They are not, I am sure, accurate or representative; but they reveal enough to let us know where one of the greatest weaknesses of our service as stewards in this association lies.

The number of subscriptions to our periodicals has grown, but not so much as it should have. This is a point on which we ask and deserve the aid of the husbands and fathers in the homes. Each home represented in any society should have subscriptions to at least the Biblical Recorder and one other mission periodical.

We turn now from the contemplation of our past service, in which we have been "laborers together, serving the Lord Christ;" and we look to the encouragement found in this year's watchword. The year 1928 is one fraught with infinite meaning for every Southern Baptist woman. It is a year of consecration; please God, it shall be a year of jubilee. We would enlarge, lengthen, strengthen, throughout the remaining months of the year.

Three forms are suggested for our "gifts" this Ruby Anniversary year. In money gifts, represented by our greatly increased pledge, I believe we are going to do our part, and all our part, gloriously. The other two matters which engage our attention are increase in number of societies and increase in the membership of already existing societies. These two, with all they mean and imply of increased opportunity for service to many who do not yet know it in the channel of W. M. U., will engage our earnest efforts during the fall months. Since January, 1927, the following societies have been organized: W. M. S., Center Hill, Rich Fork, Churchland reorganized; Y. W. A., Denton, Thomasville, Wallburg; G. A., Churchland, Holloways, Thomasville, Lexington; R. A., Churchland; Sunbeam, Churchland, Denton, Reeds, Rich Fork, Wallburg. This is an increase of sixteen societies; but we note with concern that some of them have never sent in a report or perhaps had a meeting. Our great concern shall be to foster them until they are strong and self-sustaining societies, as well as to organize others where the need for them is felt by the church members. Since the society at Welcome has ceased to function, there still remain eleven churches in our Association without any missionary organization whatever. How we wish to help the women in those churches to the larger usefulness and broader vision which they may find in such organizations.

Only as we "spare not" shall we "enlarge, lengthen, strengthen." God never thought that the wining of the world to himself would be easy. Jesus did not think when he came to earth to live and die for men that the bestowing of the abundant life would be easy. But as that task was worth while, so is the small part of it entrusted to us. If we merit it, we, too, "shall see of the tear oil of our souls, and shall be satisfied."

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH C. GARDNER.

The report was discussed by Miss Lois Miller, Kernersville, N. C., Rev. J. M. Hayes and Mrs. E. N. Gardner and was adopted.

The association adjourned till 1:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION 1:30 P. M.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. W. Ross Yokely of Tabernacle church, Erlanger, N. C.

The following report on Sunday schools was read by W. H. Lomax of Churchland:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

The Sunday School is important because it is the teaching service of the church. It is responsible for giving our boys and girls a religious education. Religious training is neglected in most homes therefore its task is to teach the word of God to every man, woman, boy, and girl in the bounds of our Sunday Schools. If the Sunday School is to be efficient for the task the church must select the most able man for superintendent because the responsibility of making it grow rests upon him. He is responsible for the kind and character of teaching done in every department of the Sunday School. It is important that the teachers know how to teach and whose lives are consecrated to Jesus Christ.

Another task of the Sunday School is to reach those who are not in Sunday School. For every 40 in Sunday School in North Carolina there are 60 on the outside. In order to do the task the church must train the workers, provide adequate buildings and perfect plans that will get the entire constituency of the Sunday School enrolled.

One of the best methods for making effective the work of the officers and teachers is the Six Point Record system. Any superintendent who will make a study of it, install it and see that it is operated with the right spirit will find it a great aid in teaching God's word, in winning the lost to Christ and saved people trained and developed in His service.

The real program for conducting a worth while Sunday School is the Standard of Excellence. It is fine to be on the honor roll but that is a small part to consider of a standard school. The aim of the Standard of Excellence is first, to set out clearly the essentials of a good Sunday School; second, to present plans for building a good Sunday School. The value of a Standard of Excellence is first, it furnishes incenitive for doing better work; second, it keeps the work of the Sunday School properly balanced; third, a standard Sunday School does better work. There are forty-five standard schools in the association to become

standard. It is only a question of effort and leadership. The three standard schools of the association last year had an average of twenty-two baptisms from the school while those not standard had an average of four and a half. The three standard schools gave to all objects an average of $438.88 while the non-standard average $246.23.

Respectfully Submitted,
W. H. LOMAX.

The report was adopted without discussion.

REPORTS ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The brethren appointed to make the reports on these two objects being absent on account of the down pour of rain; it was voted by the association that the clerk secure the reports and embody them in the minutes of the association.

MINISTERIAL RELIEF AND ANNUITIES

The work of ministerial relief is carried on through the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, with headquarters at Dallas, Texas. The Board has just closed its first decade of service. During these years $1,136,476.48 has been distributed to several thousand beneficiaries. More than one million dollars of this sum has been distributed through the Relief Department. Many of the Relief beneficiaries have passed on to their heavenly home, but at the present time there are 1,053 ministers and widows on the roll, besides 150 or more orphan children, who are being indirectly aided. The total sum paid to the Board's Relief beneficiaries last year was $118,520.47, an amount entirely too small to afford Southern Baptists an occasion for self-congratulation. It is to be hoped that there will be no further reduction in the receipts through the co-operative program this year. Every Baptist should pray and labor to increase the offerings for our great and languishing causes. The applications for aid from the Relief Department have multiplied, even while the receipts have decreased. The only supplementary money that the Board has to draw upon in addition to the gifts of the churches is the interest on the invested relief fund, which only totaled last year $28,758.21. This is the interest earned on $543,000.00 of endowment and reserves. Southern Baptists are now seeking to increase the Relief Fund to one million dollars plus, through the William Lunsford memorial fund of one million dollars, one-half of which is for relief work. An increase in the receipts from our regular collection in the churches would greatly aid in caring for our veterans.

In this State the list of beneficiaries includes sixty-six men and fifty-nine women. The average amount received by each man is $118 and each woman $117 per year. A few of these have small outside incomes, but most of them have to depend on the small amount received from the relief fund. Only thirty-two of the men and twenty-six of the women own their homes. Forty-eight of the old ministers have living wives and some of them other dependents. Fifteen of the men with living wives have no homes.

By the Annuity Plan ministres under stixty years of age are provided with a very reasonable insurance policy which pays participants $500 per year in case of disability or after attaining the age of sixty years.

The policy is about equivalent to an $8,000 policy in a regular life insurance company and is provided to ministers at cost, one-fifth of which is paid by the minister, and four-fifths by the denomination. About thirteen hundred men and women now hold certificates to this fund. Fifty-nine ministers, widows and orphans are already receiving annuities.

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. HAYWORTH.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The growth of education in recent years has been phenomenal. In 1890 there were only about 200,000 high school students. This year there will probably be four million students enrolled in high school. This increase in high school attendance has been accompanied by a corresponding increase in college attendance. The increase in enrollment of colleges from 1914 to 1920 was equal to 100 colleges the size of Vassar. Today there are single high schools with an enrollment of 5,000 students, and colleges and universities with more than 5,000 in the freshman class.

In proportion to our numbers and wealth, North Carolina Baptist schools and colleges have not kept pace with the growth of the educational system of the country at large, but their progress has been steady. Today the combined property value of our three four-year colleges, Wake Fores, Meredith and Chowan, is $5,013,034; the total enrollment 2,085, with 102 ministerial students and 16 volunteers for mission and other fields. Our three junior colleges, Mars Hill, Wingate and Campbell, are worth $976,198; and have an enrollment of 1120 students, of which 111 are ministerial students and 26 volunteers. Boiling Springs, last year, enrolled 197 students, including 17 ministerial students and 3 volunteers; while the Orphanage enrolled 112 in high school. Our Home Mission Board Schools, Fruitland, Sylva and

Mountain View, had an enrollment of 299 students, including 6 ministerial students and 17 volunteers.

Our denominational schools can never reach the proportions of the state institutions, nor should they. Many state institutions are over-grown, huge and unwieldy. There is great need, therefore, for our Baptist academies and colleges where the teachers know their students by name and carry individual student's problems on their hearts. Because they are small the denominational institutions are able to give a superior education. And then this education is religious, and education without religion may be a dangerous thing. The necessity for maintaining our schools therefore must increase rather than diminish:

1. Because our institutions must be kept in the front rank along with those of the state in the cultural training that they give, or we cannot hope to keep our Baptist boys and girls in our scholos.

2. Because practically nine-tenths of our educated ministers and missionaries must come out of our Baptist institutions, and our laity must be trained somewhere for definite denominational service.

The life of a nation depends upon its schools. The value of a school depends upon its ideals. The ideals of a school have their highest worth only as they are Christian. It is the duty of the churches to make these ideals dominant in education. To this end, North Carolina Baptists have inaugurated a broad and systematic educational program. This program includes the payment of existing debts, and the purchase of much-needed equipment. Surely we must reach our Centenial in 1920 with these hopes realized. The response of the people is heartening. God grant we may be faithful to the end.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. FORTNEY.

The following report on The State of the Churches was made by Rev. E. N. Gardner of the Orphanage church:

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES

Perhaps no one is fully qualified to set forth the conditions that adequately determine the spiritual life of any local congregation, much less to attempt a digest of conditions in twenty-six churches. When one has not had the privilege of visiting half that number within the bounds of the association during the past year, he is compelled to report to information supplied to a quentionnaire sent the different pastors, and to general knowledge which has been gathered during the year through reports of one kind or another. It is not at all unlikely that even the

pastors who furnished most of the information will differ with certain conclusions expressed in this report. Let it be said at the outset, however, that whatever may seem harsh is written in the spirit of love for all our brethren, and for the purpose of being a statement of facts rather than merely a rosy picture of certani conditions that obtain.

We have had two new pastors to come to the association since the last meeting of our body. James M. Hayes came to the Lexington church the first of January, and has seen much to encourage him during the eight months of his pastorate. One hundred eighteen have been added to the church since that time, fifty of these by baptism. The Sunday School has been reorganized and graded, and the general officers and teachers of the school have increased from twenty-three to seventy-three. The general organization has been added for the B. Y. P. U., and three thriving unions are reported. A Girl's Auxiliary has also come into being. This church led the association in pledges to the Centennial Campaign, with its contributions running above $10,000. We regret to note that the Lexington church lags in its gifts to the Co-operative Program this year, having sent up to Raleigh the first six months of this year less than $250. (The associational letters would indicate, however, that there has been an unusual spurt in gifts to the Program and the Centenial since that time. Hope is expressed that during the coming year there will be a marked improvement in this phase of missionary activity.

The Tabernacle church has also had a change of pastors, with W. Ross Yokley proving a valuable leader to this promising community. The organizations of the church have grown during the year, and the prospects for effective work are bright. The spiritual condition of the church seems to be improving. There were several additions by baptism at the close of a meeting; and a slight increase in gifts to missions is noted. This is so slight, however, that we hesitate to say it indicates real growth. This church took no part in the Centennial. We predict that the present pastorate which has been laying a substantial foundation, is going to prove a real blessing to the Baptist cause in Erlanger.

The Orphanage church has held its steady pace, endeavoring to have part in the whole program of the denomination. Its gifts to the Co-operative Program amounted to something over $2000 last year, and its pledge to the Centennial was around the same figure. Its total contributions are reported about the same as last year. There have been frequent evidences of growth in individuals during the year, as there have also been signs of smallness of soul among a few of our members. We find one of

our most distressing features is in the leaving of several of our members who fail to align themselves with churches in communities where they move. On this account we were compelled to drop from our roll this year forty-four of our former members. And active board of deacons and deaconesses, could probably help in this problem.

The Thomasville First church has had a good year. Contributions have increased in some particulars. There have been sixty-four additions, twenty of these by baptism. For six months the church led the association in the employment of a special worker, who did extensive missionary work in Thomasville, and aided in the maintenance of a high standard for the organizations of the church. Three B. Y. P. U.'s, a good Sunday School and an excellent Woman's Missionary Society are reported.

Oak Hill is a little church of thirty members, wisely associating itself with the First Church of Thomasville in engaging the services of the same pastor. It has shown marked improvement during the year. There have been purchases for the building, and the church contributes regularly each month to missions and the orphanage. These gifts are not large, but they indicate the development of the right spirit among the members. Oak Hill went a little beyond its quote for the Centennial.

New Friendship again brings forward an inspiring report. A Sunday School annex has been completed at a cost of a little more than $5000. This makes possible ten large new, Sunday school rooms, completely separated. Consequently there has been a growth in the school, which promises to attain the standard at an early date. The missionary spirit has been excellent, and several study books have been completed by the women. The spiritual condition of the church likewise has been encouraging. It is not surprising from this report that gifts have continued to pour in for the different objects to which we contribute.

Denton, Liberty and Lick Creek have had a hard year. The promise of growth indicated a year ago did not reach fulfillment. Contributions for beneficences outside local expenses have been small. The organized work has not flourished. We are informed that the field intends dividing; but hope it will not do so, as now it is hardly paying more than enough to support a pastor. There are some excellent people to be found in all these churches. If they will call a progressive, godly leader, and rally around him, they can do mighty things for the Lord.

Churchland, Reeds and Rick Fork report a good year under the pastorate of R. C. Foster, who is leaving this week for the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary. All phases of denominational work have been held before the church. The every

member canvass has been put on. Gifts have been usually good. The churches showed up well in the Centennial. Rich Fork is gradually paying its debts, and keeping its eyes to the front. It has called E. F. Mumford as pastor, and will form a desirable field with Abbott's Creek. These three churches have not given in proportion to their stated goal for the Cooperative Program so far this year; but we are hoping they will quicken their pace before the calendar year closes. Churchland reports thirty-seven baptisms for the year.

Abbott's Creek has finished paying the debt o nits handsome church edifice, and has been giving to other causes. Its per capita gifts for the year stood second only to Thomasville. Originally in anti-missionary part of the county, it is growing in its recognition of stewardship year by year. The congregations increase gradually, and the spirit of the church is admirable. The pastor, whose work in the erection of the new building was noteworthy, is held in the highest esteem. There have been fifteen additions by baptism. We hope that there will be a wholesome advance in the organized work of the church during the next year.

Wallburg has had a normal year. It makes a fine showing in the Centennial. Many gifted, well educated people are found in its membership, and the church may be expected to carry on a bigger work year by year. We join in the prayer that it may be directed by Providence in the choice of its new pastor.

Our largest field, composed of Center Hill, Jersey, Holloways and Stoner's Grove, has made few changes. Its pastor continues to move among the people with his cheerful disposition, encouraging the workers, spurring the lagging, and we are persuaded often covering up the mistakes of some backward groups from the eyes of the outside world. In organizations they are not backward, however. The Sunday School and missionary societies make good reports. The pledges for the Centennial were good. The evangelistic opportunities are met in a good way. We have heard, however, that the gifts of the people do not reach the figure they ought. For instance, this field of nearly seven hundred members contributed the first six months of 1928 less than $270 to the Co-operative Program. If we were to blame these noble people in any particular, it would come along the line of failure at this particular point.

The remaining seven churches present discouraging reports. They are Summerville, Walter's Grove, Westfield, Southside, Welcome, Smith Grove, Gravel Hill and Taylor's Grove. None of them has a resident pastor, and none of them reports flourishing organizations. Taylor's Grove, Westfield and Walter's Grove

hold the unenviable distinction of having contributed nothing this year for missions beyond their borders, while these three for at least two and a half years have sent to Raleigh only $10.50 to be placed on the general work of the Kingdom, this sum having been divided by Westfield in 1926 and Taylor's Grove last year. Welcome contributed to the different objects; but falls far short of its possibilities. Summerville reports a good Sunday School. Southside fluctuates in interest, now having a small attendance at Sunday School, then under the pressure of a campaign greatly increasing attendance for a few weeks. Smith Grove has painted and covered its building inside and out, and is making contributions to the orphanage and to missions. Gravel Hill is improving, having shown marks of growth in giving, while it is considering the organization of a missionary society.

Some Conclusions

Perhaps we ought not to deal hardly with the smaller churches. They are faced with many difficulties. Without a pastor on the field to lead they are sadly handicapped. Often they miss the inspiration of general gatherings, such as associations and fifth Sunday meetings, because they do not have local interest stirred up among them. We are more and more profoundly impressed that the secret of success in the local church is some man or woman with mind seeking information and heart ready to respond.

Taken as a whole the Liberty Association responded well to the call to lift the burdens from our schools in North Carolina, and subscribed around $20,000, which pledges are now being redeemed. Our people believe in Christian education, and will not turn a deaf ear to the calls of the denominational college.

Organizations have grown during the year. All along the line the W. M. U. in its report indicates progress. The gifts of the societies, the increase in their number, and the mission study done among them have done much to put forward the Lord's cause in our midst. Some new B. Y. P. U.'s have been organized, and the training of the young people is recognized everywhere as a most important item in the growth of our people. In the Sunday School department there has been an advance. The fifth Sunday union meetings are proving highly effective in drawing large crowds from churches all over the association, and in uniting our people in the program of Christianity. We heartily commend these to our people. The past year has also been marked by a beautiful spirit of cooperation among our pastors. Their monthly conferences have been largely attended by all resident pastors and some living outside the associational bounds.

We feel that the spirit existing among the pastors is finer than we have known it during our stay in the association.

We wish we could report marked growth in a recognition of stewardship. The gifts to missions have increased slightly. For this we are grateful. In the face of crying needs that beat upon our doors we appeal to our people to do more in the year ahead. We can, and we must.

Respectfully submitted,

E. NOFLEET GARDNER.

The report was discussed by Rev. John R. Miller, Rev. J. M. Hayes, Rev. H. T. Penry and was adopted.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

We recommend that each church raise the amount set opposite its name to be applied to the Co-operaitve Program.

Abbotts Creek	$ 1,600.00
Center Hill	200.00
Churchland	1,500.00
Denton	500.00
Gravel Hill	50.00
Holloways	400.00
Jersey	500.00
Lexington	2,000.00
Liberty	150.00
Lick Creek	150.00
New Friendship	300.00
Oak Hill	50.00
Orphanage	2,000.00
Reeds	500.00
Rich Fork	200.00
Smith Grove	175.00
Southside	50.00
Stoners Grove	400.00
Summerville	150.00
Tabernacle	325.00
Taylors Grove	10.00
Thomasville	2,000.00
Wallburg	500.00
Walters Grove	10.00
Welcome	200.00
Westfield	50.00
Total	$11,970.00

The amount recommended to be raised for the Minute Fund is set out on page four of the Minutes.

G. W. MILLER,
G. C. PALMER,
W. G. FITZGERALD,
Finance Committee.

The report was discussed by M. O. Alexander, J. M. Hayes, John R. Miller and Mrs. E. N. Gardner and was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

The committee on time, place and preacher made the following report:

Place: Stoners Grove, Southmont, N. C.
Time: Tuesday after First Sunday in September, 1929.
Preacher: Rev. J. M. Hayes.
The report was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

The committee on nominations made the following report:
Associational Director: E. N. Gardner.
Orphanage Representative: J. L. Fortney.

To Prepare Reports for Next Session

On State of Churches, E. N. Gardner.
On Home Missions, W. R. Yokely.
On Biblical Recorder, Miss Leona Welborn.
On Baptist Hospital, Jessie Dickens, Jr.
On State Missions, John R. Miller.
On B. Y. P. U., Miss Elizabeth Smith.
On Christian Education, Miss Mary Misenheimer.
On Foreign Missions, Miss Sallie McCracken.
On Ministerial Relief, E. F. Mumford.
On Woman's Work, Mrs. E. N. Gardner.
On the Orphanage, C. M. Wall.
On Sunday Schools, Conrad Motsinger.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Rev. H. T. Penry, Southmont, N. C.
Rev. J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C.
G. W. Miller, Lexington, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

M. L. Kesler, Chairman; G. W. Miller, L. E. Teague, D. S. Hayworth, W. H. Lomax and C. C. Wrenn.

REPRESENTATIVE OF STATE MISSION BOARD

Dr. M. L. Kesler.

DELEGATE TO THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION

John A. Kinney, High Rock, N. C.

DELEGATE TO THE STATE BAPTIST CONVENTION

Rev. J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C.

The report was adopted.

RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION

The following resolution was offered by Sam J. Smith, and was adopted:

Moved that we hereby tender to the pastor and members of Holloways Church and community our sincere thanks for their abundant hospitality during our stay in their midst, and we congratulate them on the completion of their handsome new church.

SAM J. SMITH.

THIS SPACE IS DEDICATED TO THE MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING BROTHERS AND SISTERS WHO HAVE GONE TO THEIR REWARD SINCE OUR LAST MEETING.

Abbotts Creek—Mr. J. S. Spurgeon, Mr. J. P. Traynham, Mr. J. P. Horney and Mr. C. E. Hayworth.

Churchland—Deacon S. E. Simmerson.

Holloways—Mrs. M. B. Davis and Mrs. Delila Bean.

Jersey—Mr. Jason Rowe and Mrs. Alice Smith.

Lexington—Deacon C. D. Hunt, Mr. W. P. Picket, Mrs. Sarah Lanning, Mrs. J. T. Yarbrough and Mrs. D. C. Craver.

Liberty—Mrs. D. H. Hepler and Mrs. S. A. S. Younts.

Lick Creek—Mrs. Sallie Daniel Snider.

New Friendship—Mrs. Lelia Nifong.

Orphanage—William Brown.

Reeds—Mr. W. B. Hunt, Mrs. Louisa Myers and Mr. J. A. Myers.

Rich Fork—Mrs. Robert Mallard and Mrs. Wm. Bowers.

Smith Grove—Mr. W. G. Lanning.

Southside—Mrs. Effie Clodfelter.

Tabernacle—Mrs. Lucy Hiatt and Mr. R. F. Stafford.

ADJOURNMENT

The business of the body having been completed, the association adjourned to meet next year at the time and place appointed.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON, Moderator.
SAM J. SMITH, Clerk.

MINUTES OF THE W. M. U.
of the
LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association held its twenty-second annual meeting with the society at Churchland on Thursday, August 16, 1928. Mrs. E. N. Gardner, the superintendent, presided. The meeting was opened at 11 o'clock instead of 10 on account of the heavy rains during the morning. After singing the Woman's Hymn and repeating the Watchwords Mrs. J. M. Hayes, of Lexington, led the devotional, the one hundredth Psalm, after which Mrs. B. F. Lee led in prayer.

Mrs. M. C. Hannah, president of the Churchland Society, heartily welcomed the visitors and Mrs. R. S. Green, of Thomasville, responded. The first business to come before the meeting was the adoption of a constitution. This matter was considered at the meeting a year ago and notification given that the matter would be brought up at this meeting. The constitution was read and adopted. The field work was then discussed and reports given from a number of societies in which Miss Lois Miller, the field worker employed last year, held study classes.

At the roll call of the societies all of the Woman's Missionary societies in the association responded with reports except two, and a large majority of the junior societies had reports on hand.

After the appointment of various committees a demonstration entitled: "Why We Know What We Know," was given by the Denton Y. W. A. and Sunbeams. Rev. M. O. Alexander, of Thomasville, led in prayer. Miss Lois Miller discussed "Some Achievements and Aims of the Ruby Anniversary." Prayer by Rev. H. T. Penry. Adjourned for dinner at 12:45.

On reassembling group meetings were held and leaders chosen for each group into which the association is divided. The leaders are, Thomasville, Mrs. B. L. West; Denton, Mrs. Grover Palmer; Lexington, Mrs. A. F. Warfford. The G. A. Song was given by the G. A.'s of Holloways church. Mrs. R. S. Green conducted the afternoon devotional, choosing her Scripture lesson from the second chapter of Phillipians.

Treasurer's Report

On hand January 1, 1927	$ 30.03
Contributed during year for field worker	71.00
Contributed during year for associational expense	24.75
Total	$125.78

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid for traveling expenses of superintendent	$ 18.75
Postage and stationery	12.79
Printing programs	3.00
Field worker	68.81
Charlotte division expense fund	5.00
Total	$108.35

This left a balance in the treasury December 31, 1927 of $17.43. Report was adopted.

In the absence of the Personal Service chairman, Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, that report was read by Mrs. C. M. Howell. Among the items mentioned in this report were 406 garments given to the poor; 125 quarts of milk and 109 baskets and trays sent to sick and needy; visits to sick and shut-ins 884; religious services held 25, with nine conversions.

The Junior leader, Mrs. W. J. Griffin, gave her report which was adopted.

The Mission Study report was given by the Mission Study chairman, Mrs. M. O. Alexander, of Thomasville. This report showed that seventeen mission study classes had been held, seven of these being with the Junior societies, and that 221 awards were given. Mrs. Alexander also reported an associational library numbering about four dozen books. These are loaned to societies for group or individual study.

Awards were presented to ten members of the Holloways Society where Miss Lois Miller, who is again doing field work in the association had just completed a week of study.

After the congregation sang "Higher Ground," Mrs. E. N. Gardner, the superintendent, gave her annual report, grouping what she had to say around the three watchwords: "For ye serve the Lord Christ;" "Laborers Together with God;" "Enlarge—Spare Not—Lengthen—Strengthen."

The report was adopted.

A song was given by two of the little Palmer Sister, of Jersey. The missionary message of the day was brought by Miss Alda Grayson, superintendent of nurses in the Kathleen Mallory Hos-

pital in China, who is supplying for the Orphanage Infirmary while on her furlough. Miss Grayson closed with prayer for the mission work in China and other fields, after which the song, "Something for Thee," was sung.

A collection was taken from the different societies to furnish a native helper for Rev. H. H. McMillan in his work in China which amounted to $41.05. This money to be turned over to the treasurer of the Charlotte Division which has sponsored the work. The amount paid in for associational expenses at this meeting was $17.75.

Reports from committees were as follows:

Nominations

Mrs. E. N. Gardner, Superintendent.
Mrs. R. S. Green, Associate Superintendent.
Miss Sallie L. McCracken, Secretary-Treasurer.
Mrs. M. O. Alexander, Mission Study Leader.
Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, Personal Service Chairman.
Mrs. J. M. Hayes, Junior Superintendent.
Miss Lois Miller, Y. W. A. Leader.

The Nominating Committee was composed of Mrs. B. F. Lee Mrs. R. S. Green and Mrs. R. A. Allen.

Time and Place

The Committee on Time and Place composed of Mrs. Alda Craver, Mrs. J. L. Griffin and Mrs. L. R. Bishop, recommended Erlanger Baptist Tabernacle as the place of meeting for 1929, and that the time be Thursday after the third Sunday in August.

Report was adopted.

Resolutions

We, the members of the W. M. U. of the Liberty Association do express our hearty appreciation for the many kindnesses bestowed and the beautiful lunch served by the women of the Churchland Church and community.

We wish also to thank Miss Lois Miller for the information and inspiration given us of the Ruby Anniversary campaign and for her work in the association. Also do we wish to thank our superintendent and all the officers for their earnest work during the year.

To Miss Alda Grayson do we wish to express our deep appreciation for the wonderful message which she brought and for showing us the Chinese costumes. Report adopted. This committee was composed of Mrs. B. L. West and Mrs. A. F. Warfford.

Obituaries

The Obituary Committee which was composed of Mrs. Maggie Scarborough and Mrs. B. R. Cross reported the death of Mrs. R. S. Davis, a faithful member of the Holloways missionary society.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. J. R. Miller.

CONSTITUTION OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION of the LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, ADOPTED AT CHURCHLAND AUGUST 16, 1928

Preamble

We, the women of the churches in the Liberty Baptist Association, desirous of stimulating a missionary spirit and the grace of giving among the women and young people of our churches, and of aiding in the collection of funds for missionary purposes to be disbursed by our State Mission Board and by our State W. M. U., adopt the following constitution.

Article I—Name

This organization shall be known as the Woman's Missionary Union, auxiliary to the Liberty Baptist Association.

Article II—Object

The object shall be threefold: (1) To stimulate a broader religious development on the part of the Baptist women and young people of the association, to train the children in Christian work, and to enlist all in active personal endeavor for the salvation of those in their own communities. (2) To receive and distribute missionary information, to stimulate efforts and encourage the organization of Missionary Societies and Bands among the women and young people. (3) To encourage the earnest, systematic co-operation of women and young people in conrtibuting money for missions at home and abroad.

Article III—Officers

The officers shall be a superintendent, associate superintendent, secretary-treasurer, mission study superintendent, personal service chairman, Y. W. A. leader and junior organization leader. These officers shall be elected annually at the last session of the asscoiational meeting. The executive committee shall be composed of these officers and the leaders of the districts.

Article IV—Districts

The association shall be divided into three districts, each one in charge of a district leader. These leaders shall be elected by members of their districts annually at the associational meeting.

Article V—Annual Meeting

The annual meeting shall be held at such time and in such place as the union shall decide. It shall hold at least two sessions. A written report from it covering the year's work of the union shall be sent by the superintendent to the meeting of the association.

Article VI—Representatives at Annual Meeting

The officers of the union and delegates duly accredited shall be entitled to vote. Each society of any grade shall be entitled to one delegate for each five members.

Article VII—Program

The program shall be arranged by a committee from the executive committee in conference with a committee from the society with which the meeting is to be held.

Article VIII—Constitution

This constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting, provided one month's notice be given through the executive committee.

BY-LAWS

1. Superintendent. The superintendent shall preside at the meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union and all meetings of the executive committee, shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and shall be ex-officio member of all standing committees. She shall call special meetings of the executive committee when in her judgment needed, or at the request of three members of said committee. She shall make quarterly and annual reports of the work of the union to the officers of the State W. M. U. She shall write letters, receive reports, plan work, and in every way possible foster three-fold object of this organization.

2. Associate Superintendent. The associate superintendent shall, in the absence of the superintendent, preside at the annual meeting of the union and at the meetings of the executive committee. When for any good cause the superintendent is unable to serve, she shall assume all duties of the superintendent.

3. Secretary-Treasurer. The secretary-treasurer shall keep an accurate record of the annual and special meetings of the union. She shall keep an accurate account of all money contributed for the associational work and render an annual report of same.

4. Y. W. A. Leader. The young woman's auxiliary leader shall have general oversight of the young women's organizations in the association, and with the co-operation of pastors, superintendents and officers of societies shall organize the young women for efficient, systematic mission work.

5. Junior Organization Leader. The young people's leader shall have general oversight of the children's societies in the association, and she shall assist in the organization of children's societies when requested by the adult members of the churches.

6. Mission Study Superintendent. The mission study superintendent shall receive, report to the Mission Study Leader at Raleigh and keep a full record of all mission study classes or reading circles held in the association. She shall use every means at her disposal to stimulate mission study in the societies of all grades.

7. Personal Service Chairman. The personal service chairman shall receive quarterly reports of work done from societies of all grades, and send reports of the personal service work of the union to the proper officers at Raleigh. She shall as she sees fit suggest methods and forms of personal service to the union as a whole or to individual societies.

8. District Leaders. Each district leader shall have general supervision of the work in her district, holding district meetings quarterly if possible, organizing new societies, and with the superintendent planning for the work in her district.

9. Reports. Each of the above named officers and the executive committee shall render an annual report of the work of the office at the annual meeting of the union.

10. Amendments. These by-laws may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting, without previous notice.

B. Y. P. U.'S OF LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSO.

The Young People's Work

CHURCHES	Adult Unions	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions.	Standard Unions	Adults Enrolled	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Systematic Givers in all Unions	Total Number Daily Bible Readers
Abbotts Creek	1				1		20				20		
Center Hill				1	1					78	18		
Churchland		1			1			29			29		
Denton		1	1	1	3			18	29	16	63		
Jersey			1	1	2				12	23	35		
Lexington		1	1	1	3			45	25	34	104	85	52
Orphanage		3	3	3	9	9		49	66	63	178	125	151
Reeds		1		1	2			23		18	41		
Southside			1	1	2				12	12	24	6	10
Tabernacle		1	1	1	3			24	19	18	61		
Thomasville		1	1	1	3	1		25	27	41	93	25	20
Totals	1	9	9	11	30	10	20	213	190	243	666	241	233

DIRECTORS, PRESIDENTS AND LEADERS

Abbotts Creek, Miss Mattie Teague, High Point, R. 4.

Center Hill, Miss Grace Hunt, Lexington, R. 6.

Churchland, Verena Davis, Linwood, R. 1.

Denton—Senior President, Chas. Lambeth, Denton, N. C.; Intermediate President, Fox Anderson, Denton, N. C.; Junior Lead-

Jersey—Intermediate President, Sadie Sharpe, Linwood, N. C., er, Thelma Russell, Denton, N. C.; Dircetor, Ruby Connell. R. 1; Junior Leader, Miss Elizabeth Smith, Linwood, N. C., R. 2.

Lexington—Senior President, T. L. Henderson, Jr., Lexington, N. C.; Intermediate President, Donald Wagoner, Lexington, N. C.; Junior Leader, Miss Violet Cross, Lexington, N. C.; Director, T. S. Wall, Jr., Lexington, N. C.

Orphanage—Senior President, Miss Ruth Mull, Thomasville, N. C.; Intermediate President, Miss Alva Lawrence, Thomasville, N. C.; Junior Leader, Miss Elizabeth Rickmon, Thomasville, N. C.; Director, E. N. Gardner, Thomasville, N.. C.

Reeds—Senior President, Miss Sallie Foster, Lexington, R. 3.; Junior Leader, Miss Zelma Leonard, Lexington, R. 3.

Southside—Intermediate President, Mrs. Earl Turner, Thomasville, N. C.; Junior Leader, M. P. Workman, Thomasville, N. C.; Director, J. F. Epps, Thomasville, N. C.

Tabernacle—Senior President, Mrs. Kelley Hughes; Intermediate President, Miss Emmo Teague; Junior Leader, Miss Sarah Bishop; Director, Clyde Darnell.

Thomasville—Senior President, E. C. Link, Thomasville, N. C.; Intermediate President, Miss Irene Greene, Thomasville, N. C.; Junior Leader, Mrs. C. M. Howell, Thomasville, N. C.; Director, Prevette Westmoreland, Thomasville, N. C.

CHURCHES	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	S. B. Members	Mission Study No. Classes	Mission Study Awards	Contributions to Co-operative Program.
Abbotts Creek								$ 193.85
Churchland	10					1	9	17.55
Denton	11							95.65
Holloways	20					1	22	79.67
Jersey	20							56.30
Lexington	110		12		9	1	10	1,023.67
New Friendship	12	8	16		10			155.93
Orphanage	35				150	4	105	1,739.94
Reeds	12							41.96
Rich Fork					15			40.55
Stoners Grove	12							29.40
Tabernacle	12					1	10	28.85
Wallburg	12				15	1	7	156.25
Center Hill								4.50
Thomasville	42	15	28		39	8	65	519.70
Welcome							1	
Total	308	23	56		238	17	229	$4,183.77

GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Regular Treasurers and Postoffices	FOR SUPPORT OF LOCAL CHURCH WORK									
		Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of Association	Other Objects	Total for Support Local Church Work
Abbotts Creek	C. E. Spurgeon, High Point	$ 1,000.00		$ 175.00	$ 3,500.00	$ 25.75	$ 133.85		$ 6.00	$ 10.50	$ 4,851.10
Center Hill	R. B. Sheets, Lexington, R. 6	286.00		17.65		8.00	73.60	$ 6.00			391.25
Churchland	L. E. Rickard, Linwood, R. 1	600.00		157.57	225.00	61.64	100.00	20.00	5.00		1,169.21
Denton	W. H. Snider, Denton	937.64			38.98	96.57	151.06				1,224.25
Gravel Hill	Miss Pallie Allred, Denton	150.00	35.00		200.00		28.00		1.25		414.25
Holloways	D. R. Beanblossom, High Rock	400.00		50.45	2,000.00	5.69	40.00		5.00		2,501.14
Jersey	A. A. Graves, Linwood, R. 1	500.00		46.56					3.00		549.56
Lexington	S. L. Owens, Lexington	3,600.00	1,003.75	991.60	247.50	834.00	996.88		25.00	1,072.15	8,770.97
Liberty	N. T. Kindley, Thomasville	250.00		40.25			31.75		2.00	28.90	352.90
New Friendship	C. F. Motsinger, Winston R. 5	600.00		66.30	5,250.00	38.00	55.10		4.00		6,013.40
Oak Hill	Fred Shuler, Thomasville, R. 4	53.75		30.00	20.00					190.00	293.75
Orphanage	MissSallieMcCracken,Thomasville	1,200.00		120.00					10.00	92.61	1,422.61
Reeds	A. R. Myers, Lexington, R. 3	600.00		65.00	150.00	93.50	91.27		5.00	56.50	1,061.27
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville	300.00		60.00	656.00	76.00	70.00		5.00	47.50	1,214.50
Smith Grove	J. R. Grubb, Spencer	368.75	34.03				33.93				437.61
Southside	J. T. Scroggs, Thomasville	480.00		40.50		42.37	71.36	4.00	2.00	41.00	681.73
Stoners Grove	S. E. Wafford, Linwood	828.25		45.40	21.45	42.03	72.70	15.00	5.00	105.06	1,326.94
Summerville	Mrs. Essie Davis, High Rock	200.00		45.00	1.70	13.65	57.03		2.00		319.38
Tabernacle	Miss Emmo Teague, Erlanger	2,080.00	50.00	109.40	1,000.00	255.00	289.02	17.50	4.00	536.68	4,341.60
Taylors Grove	Grace Bailey, Tuckertown	75.00					4.00		1.00		80.00
Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	3,000.00	1,360.00	140.00	4,127.18	824.40	804.73	55.00	15.00	840.00	11,166.94
Wallburg	C. C. Smith, Wallburg	500.00		79.00	56.15	38.11	108.00				781.26
Walters Grove	J. T. Pierce, Cid	100.00					10.00		1.00		111.00
Welcome	E. S. Craver, Welcome	300.00		38.27		12.95	26.61		2.00	139.26	519.09
Westfield	J. C. Loftin, Fullers	200.00		35.00	50.00		15.00		3.00		303.00
Lick Creek	J. E. Skeen, High Rock	175.00		45.65	22.00	3.00	12.00		3.50		261.15
Totals		$18,784.39	$ 2,483.68	$ 2,398.60	$17,758.59	$ 2,471.30	$ 3,275.89	$ 117.50	$ 109.60	$ 3,160.16	$50,559.86

STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE CHURCHES IN LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	PASTORS	S. S. SUPT. and POSTOFFICE	Baptisms	Church Membership	Sunday School Membership	Co-operative Program	Missions (State, Home, Foreign)	Benevolence (Orphanage, Hospitals, Ministers Relief)	Christian Education	Total Denominational Contributions	Total Local Church Contributions	Grand Total
Abbotts Creek	E. F. Mumford	D. S. Hayworth, High Point	18	206	175	$ 332.50	$ 17.50	$ 934.65	$ 155.00	$ 1,429.65	$ 4,851.10	$ 6,290.75
Center Hill	H. T. Penry	D. L. Tysinger, Lexington, R. 6	7	155	94	95.63		117.39		213.02	891.52	604.27
Churchland	R. C. Foster	W. H. Lomax, Linwood, R. 3	35	250	196	215.63	60.63	107.22	155.00	538.48	1,169.21	1,707.69
Denton	L. A. Connell	A. L. Snider, Denton		241	234	219.68		161.98		381.66	1,224.25	1,605.91
Gravel Hill	P. D. Buck	Robert Russell, New Hope Acdy	2	89	98	10.30		50.60	8.50	69.40	414.25	483.65
Holloways	H. T. Penry	G. C. Palmer, High Rock	15	209	151	116.44		97.60	42.00	256.04	2,501.14	2,757.18
Jersey	H. T. Penry	Reid Smith, Linwood	15	220	140	250.00		46.29	80.50	376.97	549.56	926.35
Lexington	J. M. Hayes	Dr. C. R. Sharpe, Lexington	67	778	700	1,229.59	67.50	1,613.45	664.10	3,574.64	8,770.97	12,345.61
Liberty		O. F. Hughes, Thomasville, R. 3	4	147	114			11.06		11.06	352.90	363.96
Lick Creek	Paul V. Berry	J. A. Kinney, High Rock		97	56	70.00		5.00	63.50	138.50	261.15	399.65
New Friendship	Jno. R. Miller	C. F. Motsinger, Win.-Salem, R 5	8	161	188	51.62	84.48	427.68	27.00	590.78	6,013.40	6,604.18
Oak Hill	M. O. Alexander		2	27		18.17		14.13	67.50	99.80	293.75	393.55
Orphanage	E. N. Gardner	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	30	234	543	1,741.03	195.34	829.05	372.15	3,137.57	1,422.61	4,560.18
Reeds	R. C. Foster	I. A. Myers, Lexington R. 3	7	265	230	30.20	15.50	85.62		131.32	1,061.27	1,192.59
Rich Fork	R. C. Foster	T. H. Small, Thomasville	8	207	219	196.56		86.00		282.56	1,214.50	1,497.06
Smith Grove	Earl Bradley	G. A. Clement, Linwood	6	89	93			7.00		7.00	437.61	444.61
Southside	E. C. Roach	J. T. Scroggs, Thomasville	4	101	179	9.50	5.00	67.22		81.72	681.73	763.45
Stoners Grove	H. T. Penry	L. E. Lookabill, Sputhmont		102	80	106.84	7.48	165.55	13.00	292.87	1,326.94	1,619.81
Summerville	E. M. Brooks	Sam Buie, Denton	5	272	131	17.50		13.99		31.49	319.38	350.87
Tabernacle	W. R. Yokely	W. H. Brown, Erlanger	4	275	359	57.57		20.00	11.15	88.72	4,341.60	4,430.32
Taylors Grove	R. L. West	A. H. Michael, Tuckertown	3	19	38	6.00		3.00		9.00	80.00	89.00
Thomasville	M. O. Alexander	P. C. Newton, Thomasville	20	503	723	2,274.60		1,219.19	519.50	4,013.29	11,166.94	15,180.23
Wallburg		C. R. Dodson, Wallburg		178	133	133.53		346.05		479.58	781.26	1,260.84
Walters Grove	J. H. Hanes	Howard Hunt, Cid	3	76	81		2.70	10.00		12.70	111.00	123.70
Welcome	E. C. Roach	W. H. Snider, Welcome	1	88	125		59.48	168.30	5.00	232.78	519.09	751.87
Westfield	J. H. Hanes	J. M. Jester, Fullers		78	103			17.50		17.50	303.00	320.50
	Totals		264	5067	5183	$7,182.89	$515.61	$6,625.52	$2,183.90	$16,507.92	$50,559.86	$67,067.78

CHURCH PROPERTY OF LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Church Clerks and Postoffices	Does Your Church Own Its House of Worship?	When Was It Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	Are all Departments in S. S. Provided For?	Are all Sunday School Classes Provided For?	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value All Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Abbotts Creek	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point R. 4	Yes	1926	Brick	800	12	Yes	Yes	$ 25,000.00		$ 25,000.00		
Center Hill	Miss Annie Owens, Lexington R. 6	Yes	1907	Wood	400	1	No	No	3,000.00		3,000.00		
Churchland	W. Hence Beck, Linwood R. 3	Yes	1919	Wood	500	9	Yes	Yes	10,000.00	$ 3,500.00	13,500.00	$ 1,200.00	$ 2,000.00
Denton	A. L. Snider, Denton	Yes	1818	Wood	600	6	No	No	6,150.00	4,000.00	10,150.00		2,500.00
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, New Hope Acdy.	Yes	1900	Wood	300	1	No	No	600.00		600.00		
Holloways	G. C. Palmer, High Rock	Yes	1894	Wood	500	9	Yes	Yes	4,500.00	3,500.00	8,000.00	30.00	2,000.00
Jersey	W. L. Roach, Linwood R. 2	Yes	1840	Brick	500	1	No	No	8,000.00		8,000.00		
Lexington	A. J. Newton, Lexington	Yes	1912	Brick	750	21	No	No	85,500.00	11,000.00	96,500.00	5,000.00	15,000.00
Liberty	H. P. May, Cid, R. 1	Yes	1920	Wood	400	5	Yes	Yes	7,500.00		7,500.00		
Lick Creek	P. M. Snider, High Rock, R. 1	Yes	1902	Wood	300	1	No	No	5,000.00		5,000.00		
New Friendship	A. J. Hartman, W.-Salem, R. 4	Yes	1890	Brick	400	14	Yes	Yes	12,000.06		12,000.00	2,100.00	
Oak Hill	Mrs. J. L. Welborn, Thomasville	Yes	1882	Wood	250	1	No	No	700.00		700.00		
Orphanage	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	No		Brick	600		Yes	Yes		Property of Orphanage			
Reeds	I. A. Myers, Lexington, R. 3	Yes	1907	Wood	350	10	No	No	4,500.00	3,000.00	7,500.00		
Rich Fork	G. T. Everhart, Thomasville	Yes	1926	Brick	800	9	Yes	Yes	25,000.00		25,000.00	1,500.00	4,000.00
Smith Grove	Carl M. Young, Salisbury 7	Yes	1909	Wood	300	1	No	No	2,000.00		2,000.00		1,000.00
Southside	J. T. Scroggs, Thomasville	Yes	1919	Wood	300	2	No	No	2,000.00		2,000.00		3,333.33
Stoners Grove	Mrs. A. F. Wafford, Linwood, R. 2	Yes	1901	Wood	500	7	No	No	2,500.00	2,400.00	5,900.00		
Summerville	Mrs. Essie Davis, High Rock, R. 1	Yes	1914	Wood	500	1	No	No	2,000.00		2,000.00		4,000.00
Tabernacle	Miss Grace Hames, Erlanger	Yes	1923	Brick	450	4	No	No	8,000.00		8,000.00		
Taylors Grove	Miss Grace Bailey, Tuckertown	Yes	1925	Wood	400	1	No	No	1,500.00		1,500.00		
Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	Yes	1911	Brick	500	23	Yes	No	65,000.00	8,000.00	73,000.00	14,000.00	20,500.00
Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	Yes	1916	Brick	700	10	Yes	Yes	10,000.00		10,000.00		
Walters Grove	J. T. Pierce, Cid	Yes	1913	Wood	250	1	No	No	800.00		800.00		
Welcome	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	Yes	1912	Wood	500	1	No	No	4,000.00	3,000.00	7,000.00	1,400.00	5,500.00
Westfield	R. A. Summey, Fullers	Yes	1916	Wood	500	1	No	No	2,500.00		2,500.00		
	Totals				12350	152			$299,750.00	$ 38,400.00	$338,150.00	$ 25,230.00	$ 59,833.33

TABLE I—CHURCH MEMBERSHIP LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

When Constituted	CHURCHES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revival Meetings Held During Year	Observances of Lord's Supper During Year	Families Receiving State Baptist Paper
			GAINS					LOSSES				Total				
			Last Year	Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths	Total Present Members				
1833	Abbotts Creek	First and Third	189	18	5			1	1		4	206	Yes	1	4	10
1907	Center Hill	Third	148	7								155	No	1	1	5
1837	Churchland	First and Third	232	35	2	1	3	2		20	1	250	No	1	2	15
1881	Denton	Every Sunday	244		6			9				241	Yes		1	16
1900	Gravel Hill	Second	87	2	1			1				89	No	1	1	1
1830	Holloways	Second and Fourth	197	15			1	1	1		2	209	No	1	2	7
1755	Jersey	Second and Fourth	209	15	3			5			2	220	No	1	1	6
1883	Lexington	Every Sunday	737	67	49	2	2	36			5	*778	Yes	1	2	35
1828	Liberty	Third	146	4					1		2	147	No	1	1	10
1818	Lick Creek	First	106					1		7	1	97	No	1	1	3
1833	New Friendship	First and Third	160	8	2			8			1	161	No	1	1	10
1882	Oak Hill	First and Third	30	2								* 27	No	1		4
1891	Orphanage	Every Sunday	279	30	14	1	3	46	2	44	1	234	No	1	4	25
1839	Reeds	Second and Fourth	254	7	4			5	2		3	*265	No	1	2	7
1884	Rich Fork	First and Third	208	8				2		2	2	*207		1	1	3
1909	Smith Grove	First and Third	83	6			1				1	89	Yes	1	2	3
1919	Southside	Second and Fourth	96	4	4			2			1	101	Yes	2	1	3
1900	Stoners Grove	Every Sunday	155		1			11	8	35		102	No	1	2	7
1873	Summerville	First	267	5								272	No	1	1	1
1914	Tabernacle	Every Sunday	231	4	47	4		9			2	275	Yes	2	4	1
1901	Taylors Grove	Third	11	3	1	4						19	No	1		1
1859	Thomasville	Every Sunday	482	20	25			24				503	Yes	1	4	40
1892	Wallburg	Second and Fourth	179		1			2				178	No	1	3	10
1913	Walters Grove	Fourth	73	3								76	Yes	1		
1911	Welcome	First and Third	95	1				8				88	No	1	2	4
1912	Westfield		78									78				
	Totals		4976	264	155	12	10	173	15	108	28	5067		26	43	237

*Error in letter sent Association in 1927 or 1928.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	It a Village, Town, City or Country Church?	Superintendents and Postoffices	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT										SPECIAL INFORMATION											
			Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years and Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Home Department	Total Enrollment	What is your Average Attendance	Is the School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions Orphanage, etc.	Have You a Mission S. S.	Did you hold a Daily Vac Bib. S.	Enrollment daily Vacation School	Average Attend. Daily Vac. Sch.
Abbotts Creek	Country	D. S. Hayworth, High Point	9	25	26	25	23	18	45			175	117	Yes	No	5	15	$ 133.85	$ 366.20	No	No		
Center Hill	Country	D. L. Sysinger, Lexington, R. 6	7	12	17	18	15	16	10			94	43	No			6	73.60	117.39	No	No		
Churchland	Village	W. H. Lomax, Linwood, R. 3	16	22	14	26	33	27	32	26		196	115	Yes	Yes	13	30	140.13	108.50	No	No		
Denton	Town	A. L. Snider, Denton	19	14	15	35	37	35	74	5		234	101	No				96.51	46.89	No	No		
Gravel Hill	Country	Robt. Russell, New Hope Acdy	6	12		15	35		30			98	40	No				28.00	45.65	No	No		
Holloways	Country	J. W. Dickens, Lexington, R. 6	10	14	11	27	15	20	54			151	81	No		5	15	36.00	15.40	No	No		
Jersey	Country	Reid Smith, Linwood	10	26		19	18	35	32			140	76	No		10	14	52.63	33.29	No	No		
Lexington	City	Dr. C. R. Sharp, Lexington	73	47	64	80	85	126	163	26	36	700	347	Yes	No	6	60	996.88	979.61	No	No		
Liberty	Country	O. F. Hughes, Thomasville, R. 3	7	18	15	18	16	15	25			114	60	No			4	31.75		No	No		
Mick Creek	Country	J. A. Kinney, High Rock, N. C.	6	8	5	9	8	8	12			56	30	No				12.00		No	No		
New Friendship	Country	C. F. Motsinger, W.-Salem R. 5	9	18	9	17	25	41	41	20	8	188	93	Yes	No	7	7	105.55	237.66	No	No		
Oak Hill	Country																						
Orphanage	City	F. B. Hamrick, Thomasville	45	39	111	183	126	21	8	10		543	532	Yes	Yes	36	30	123.89	615.29	No	No		
Reeds	Country	I. A. Myers, Lexington, R. 3	14	30		26	25	31	90	14		230	150	No			7	158.42	85.56	No	No		
Rich Fork	Country	T. H. Smith, Thomasville	14	12	16	29	32	22	81	13		219	125	Yes	No		5	60.00		No	No		
Smith Grove	Country	G. A. Clement, Linwood	6	12	12	8	9	22	24			93	60	No			5	34.93	7.00	No	No		
Southside	City	J. T. Scroggs, Thomasville	10	21	20	35	23	20	50			179	75	Yes	No	3		124.25	67.22	No	No		
Stoners Grove	Village	L. E. Lookabill, Southmont	12	9	6	12	9	8	24			80	44	Yes	Yes	7		114.70	164.60	No	No		
Summerville	Country	Sam Buie, Denton, N. C.	10		30	15	12	44	20			131	60	No		5	5	57.03	13.99	No	No		
Tabernacle	City	W. H. Brown, Erlanger	17	15	48	44	32	42	161			359	225	No		4	4	289.02		No	No		
Taylors Grove	Counrty	A. H. Michael, Tuckertown	6	10	8		8		6			38	25	No				4.00		No	No		
Thomasville	City	P. C. Newton, Thomasville	52	52	75	119	58	56	160	66	85	732	311	Yes	No	18	15	779.89	1,163.04	No	Yes	286	230
Wallburg	Village	C. R. Dodson, Wallburg	11	15	16	19	17	25	30			133	65	Yes	No	8		108.00	267.00	No	No		
Walters Grove	Country	Howard Hunt, Cid, N. C.	5		18	6	20	20	12			81	60	No			2	10.00		No	No		
Welcome	Village	W. H. Snider, Welcome	7	12	10	9	8	25	45	9		125	80	No		8	1	28.00		No	No		
Westfield	Country	J. W. Jester, Fullers	8	15	15	10	15	10	30			103	55	No			12	15.00	14.50	No	No		
Totals			289	458	571	804	694	687	1262	189	129	5183	2970			138	238	$3,613.93	$4,348.79			286	230

GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Gifts to the Co-operative Program	City Missions	State Missions	Home Missions	Foreign Missions	Ministerial Education	Schools and Colleges	Hospitals	Orphanages	Aged Ministers' Relief	Foreign Relief	Total All Missions Education and Benevolence	Grand Total for All Local Church Expenses and All Missions and Benevolences	Tithers in Our Church	Budget for Local Expenses Adopted	Budget for All Missions Adopted	Pledged to Co-operative Program Next Year
Abbotts Creek	$ 332.50		$ 17.50				$ 155.00	$ 64.70	$ 869.95			$ 1,439.65	$ 6,290.75				
Center Hill	95.63								869.95			213.02	604.27				
Churchland	215.63		60.63				155.00		107.22			538.48	1,107.69	12	Yes		
Denton	219.68								161.98			381.16	1,605.91				
Gravel Hill	10.30						8.50	5.00	45.60			69.40	483.65				
Holloways	116.44						42.00	42.20	55.40			256.04	2,757.18				
Jersey	250.00						80.50	13.00	33.29			376.79	926.35				
Lexington	1,229.59	67.50					664.10	91.37	1,522.08			3,574.64	12,345.61	15	Yes	Yes	$2,000.00
Liberty									11.06			11.06	363.96				
Lick Creek	70.00		32.61	17.61	34.26		63.50		5.00			138.50	399.65				
New Friendship	51.62						27.00	18.42	409.26			590.78	6,604.18				
Oak Hill	18.17						67.50		11.13			99.80	393.55		No	No	50.00
Orphanage	1,741.03		7.33	11.40	176.61	20.00	352.15	95.35	582.26	65.60	85.84	3,137.57	4,560.18	150	Yes	Yes	2,000.00
Reeds	30.20		15.50						85.62			131.32	1,192.59				
Rich Fork	196.56							15.00	71.00			282.56	1,497.06				300.00
Smith Grove									7.00			7.00	444.61				
Southside	9.50		5.00					10.00	57.22			81.72	763.45				50.00
Stoners Grove	106.84			3.74	3.74		13.00	28.32	137.23			292.87	1,619.81		Yes	Yes	
Summerville	17.50								13.99			31.49	350.87				
Tabernacle	57.50					11.15			20.00			88.72	4,430.32		Yes		
Taylors Grove	6.00								3.00			9.00	89.00				10.00
Thomasville	2,274.60					40.00	479.50	15.80	1,203.39			4,013.29	15,180.23	10	Yes		2,000.00
Wallburg	133.53							20.50	325.55			479.58	1,260.84	2			
Walters Grove			2.70						10.00			12.70	123.70				
Welcome			29.48	20.00	10.00	5.00		23.10	135.20	10.00		232.78	751.87				
Westfield								5.00	12.50			17.50	220.50				
Totals	$7,182.89	$ 67.50	$ 170.75	$ 52.75	$ 224.61	$ 76.15	$2,107.75	$ 447.76	$6,016.32	$ 75.60	$ 85.84	$ 16,507.92	$ 67.067.78	189			$6,410.00

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STONERS GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH, SOUTHMONT, N. C.
AND REV. H. T. PENRY.

DIRECTORY OF ASSOCIATION

OFFICERS

Archibald Johnson, Moderator.....Thomasville, N. C.
G. W. Miller, Vice-Moderator.....Lexington, N. C.
Sam J. Smith, Clerk.....Lexington, N. C.
Sam J. Smith, Treasurer.....Lexington, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

M. L. Kesler.....Thomasville, N. C.
G. W. Miller.....Lexington, N. C.
L. E. Teague.....Thomasville, N. C.
D. S. Hayworth.....High Point, N. C.
A. L. Snider.....Denton, N. C.
C. C. Wrenn.....Southmont, N. C.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES TO REPORT IN 1930

B. Y. P. U.—Miss Elizabeth Smith, Linwood, N. C.
Christian Education—W. L. Bowman, Thomasville, N. C.
Foreign Missions—J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C.
Home Missions—H. T. Penry, Southmont, N. C.
Hospital—). F. Mumford, Wallburg, N. C.
Ministerial Relief—C. M. Wall, Lexington, N. C.
Orphanage—G. W. Miller, Lexington, N. C.
Religious Literature, Recorder—John Arch McMillan, Thomasville, N. C.
State Missions—C. H. Foster, Linwood, N. C.
Sunday Schools—E. C. Roach, Jamestown, N. C.
State of Churches—M. O. Alexander, Thomasville, N. C.
Woman's Work—Mrs. R. S. Green, Thomasville, N. C.

ASSOCIATIONAL AUXILIARIES

President B. Y. P. U.
Miss Elizabeth Smith, Linwood, N. C.

President W. M. U.
Miss Sallie McCracken, Thomasville, N. C.

Member State Mission Board
Dr. M. L. Kesler, Thomasville, N. C.

Delegate Baptist State Convention
E. F. Mumford, Wallburg, N. C.

Delegate Southern Baptist Convention
J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C.

Baptist Institutions

Located Within the Association

THE MILLS HOME

ESTABLISHED 1885

Formerly Thomasville Baptist Orphanage

TRUSTEES

B. W. Spilman, Kinston, N. C., Chairman
Thos. Carrick, High Point, N. C., Secretary

Term Expires 1929

T. B. Wheeler.....Scotland Neck, N. C.
J. W. Noell.....Roxboro, N. C.
Thos. Carrick.....High Point, N. C.
J. B. Stroud.....Greensboro, N. C.
A. E. Tate.....High Point, N. C.

Term Expires 1930

W. A. Cooper.....Raleigh, N. C.
J. H. Cannady.....Kinston, N. C.
L. L. Leary.....Morehead City, N. C.
R. L. Moore.....Mars Hill, N. C.

Term Expires 1931

B. W. Spilman.....Kinston, N. C.
C. L. Haywood.....Durham, N. C.
T. P. Pruitt.....Hickory, N. C.
Mrs. Fannie Moore.....Gastonia, N. C.

Term Expires 1932

I. G. Greer.....Boone, N. C.
H. S. Stokes.....Winston-Salem, N. C.
Mrs. Bryon C. Scott.....Charlotte, N. C.
J. D. Proctor.....Lumberton, N. C.
John D. Biggs.....Raleigh, N. C.

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M. S. Stokes
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Thos. F. Pruitt

INVESTING COMMITTEE

Jas. D. Proctor
Thomas Carrick
C. L. Haywood
J. W. Noell
Thos. P. Pruitt

Associational Missionary or Other Paid Employee—None.
Standing Committees—None.
Representative of Laymen's Movement—None.
The Auxiliary Meetings—The Association has no W. M. U. Auxiliary, Sunday School Convention, B. Y. P. U. or Laymen's Convention, which meets at the same time or during the sessions of the Association.

LIST OF MESSENGERS
1929 Session

ABBOTTS CREEK—C. E. Spurgeon, J. L. Green, C. H. Teague, D. S. Hayworth, T. C. Teague.

CENTER HILL—John Jarrett, Ulice Hunt, Sam Jarrett.

CHURCHLAND—W. H. Lomax. J. L. McBride, Mrs. J. L. McBride, W. A. Darr, S. A. Allred, W. H. Beck.

DENTON—Dr. E. C. Clyatt, L. A. Tysinger, A. L. Snider, James Snider.

GRAVEL HILL—Arthur Loftin, Mrs. Pallie Allred, C. C. Allred.

HOLLOWAYS—G. C. Palmer, D. R. Beanblossom, Marven Carrick.

JERSEY—J. D. Palmer, Reid Smith, R. A. Tate.

LEXINGTON—G. W. Miller, C. M .Wall, T. L. Henderson, Sr., H. C. Myers, H. E. Olive, Sam J. Smith. F. G. Johnson, J. A. Sink, S. G. Hasty, Miss Roxie Sheets, Mrs. C. R. Sharpe, Mrs. Sam J. Smith, Mrs. D. F. Conrad, Mrs. B. F. Lee, Mrs. J. K. Hankins.

LIBERTY—H. P. May, J. A. Hepler, O. F. Hughes, C. O. Hepler, Mrs. Laura May, N. T. Kindley.

LICK CREEK—J. E. Skeen, A. M. Cole, J. A. Kinney, V. K. Skeen.

NEW FRIENDSHIP—D. C. Swaim, W. M. Smith, Mrs. W. M. Smith.

OAK HILL—Mrs. H. W. Kennedy, Miss Hattie Royals, C. N. Royals, Miss Leona Welborn.

ORPHANAGE—M. L. Kesler, R. D. Covington, Mrs. Maggie Scarbrough, Mrs. B. F. Crutchfield, J. A. McMillan, Miss Sallie McCracken, Miss Eulalia Turner, Miss Eva Faircloth.

REEDS—J. N. Myers, Mrs. Alda Craver, J. F. Foster, Harmon Craver.

RICH FORK—T. H. Small, Willie Bowers, O. F. Tate, Clyde Eddinger, G. T. Everhart.

SMITH GROVE—Mrs. E. R. Lanning, Mrs. W. W. Scott, R. H. Beck, A. A. Young, Miss Mollie Grubb, Rev. E. L. Bradley.

SOUTH SIDE—L. A. Connell, N. A. Clodfelter ,W. J. Hagler, D. L. Chisholm.

STONERS GROVE—Walter Wafford, S. E. Wafford, O. L. Stoner.

SUMMERVILLE—J. L. Carrick, Andrew Frank, Conrad Bean, Timp Bean.

TABERNACLE—Rev. W. Ross Yokely, I. L. Blaylock, J. A. Corn.

TAYLORS GROVE—Mrs. J. M. Coggins, Mrs. Fleta Russell, Miss Grace Bailey, Clarence Coggins.

THOMASVILLE—Rev. M. O. Alexander, Rev. J. D. Newton, L. E. Teague. Mrs. C. M. Howell, Archibald Johnson, Mrs. J. D. Newton, Miss Esther Newton, Mrs. L. W. Hansell.

WALLBURG—J. E. Motsinger, C. C. Smith, J. W. Tuttle.

WALTERS GROVE—Not represented.

WELCOME—W. W. Brinkley, M. L. Craver, Mrs. C. S. Haynes, W. S. Disher, Raymond Disher, E. J. Zimmerman.

WESTFIELD—G. B. Loftin, G. W. Summey, J. W .Jester.

VISITORS ENROLLED

Dr. Chas. E. Maddry, General Secretary, North Carolina State Baptist Board, Raleigh, N. C.

Rev. B. G. Earley, Representative of Biblical Recorder, Raleigh, N. C.

Prof. A. F. Hendricks, of Wingate College.

Rev. B. W. Spilman, Chairman Board of Trustees, Mills Home, Kinston, N. C.

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Of the

NINETY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

Of the

LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held With the

STONERS GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Southmont, N. C.

FIRST DAY

Tuesday, September 3rd, 1929, 10:30 A. M.

1. The Ninety-Sixth Annual Session of the Liberty Baptist Association convened with the Stoners Grove Church, Southmont, N. C., Tuesday, September 3rd, 1929, at 10:30 A. M.

2. Devotional service was led by Rev. M. O. Alexander, who uses for the Scripture lesson the 107th Psalm, and the opening prayer being led by Rev. B. W. Spilman, of Kinston, N. C.

3. Archibald Johnson, Moderator, calls the association to order for the transaction of its business.

4. C. M. Wall makes motion that Rev. M. L. Kesler cast the vote of the body for Archibald Johnson for Moderator. The motion is unanimously carried and Mr. Kesler cast the vote of the body for Archibald Johnson, of Thomasville, N. C., for Moderator.

G. W. Miller, of Lexington, N. C., is elected Vice-Moderator; Sa mJ. Smith, of Lexington, N. C., is elected Clerk and Treasurer.

5. C. M. Wall reads the Report on The Mills Home. On motion to adopt, the report is very ably discussed by C. M. Wall, M. L. Kesler and R. D. Covington, and was adopted.

REPORT ON THE MILLS HOME

The first child entered the Mills Home on November 11, 1885. The Institution has functioned for 44 years. During that time we have had three general managers. Mr. J. H. Mills served from 1885 until 1895; Mr. J. B. Boon from 1895 until 1905, and Dr. M. L. Kesler from 1905 until 1929. You will notice that Mills and Boon served ten years each. The present general managr has served about 24 years. The former general managers served their day and generation well. In fact, Brother Mills was the father of orphanage work in North Carolina. Boon laid a broad and deep foundation, which the present general manager is continuing to build on.

This paper would be entirely too long if we should enumerate

the great progress in detail that has been made under Brother Kesler's administration. Our general manager is recognized throughout the United States as one of the most progressive and forward looking orphanage men in the country. He is the father of Child Welfare and Mothers' Aid work in North Carolina. He has a faculty for choosing the right men and women for positions.

Mr. R. D. Covington, of Greensboro, N. C., has recently been selected as treasurer of the Mills Home to take the place of Brother F. B. Hamrick, who has accepted a call to Meredith College as Bursar and Treasurer. We do not have words to express our appreciation of the work that he has done for the Mills Home.

Rev. John Arch McMillan has accepted the pastorate of the church and assistant editor of Charity and Children. We do not know of a man in the State who is more capable of filling this position and his coming is a decided gain for the Institution.

We judge a business by the material it turns out. Time and space will not permit us naming the many boys and girls who have entered professions of various kinds and are making good in a business way and are a belssing to humanity.

The Home is a well regulated community within itself. It has its own Chruch, school, hospital, dormitories, farms, printing shop, recreation grounds, etc. We recommend the job printing department. The work is neatly done at reasonable prices. We hope that everyone who has printing done will secure prices and samples from this department, and if they do we are sure they will give them their business.

At this time we are caring for something over 600 orphans at Thomasville and the Kennedy Home. Something like 400 are under the care of the Mothers' Aid department. We should think of the boys and girls in their formative period, the age in which character and purpose of life is shaped. Utmost care is being taken by the general manager and his assistants to develop the mind, body and soul.

Charity and Children, the organ of the Home, has for years been on a paying basis. We do not know of a paper that is better edited. You will usually find the entire paper very helpful and valuable. Every Sunday School should see that at least one copy is placed in each of the homes represented in their school.

However, we must turn to the dark side of the picture. Our Treasurer is continually borrowing money to meet running expenses. This should not be the case. A business-like collection should be taken once a month to avoid this financial trouble.

We recommend that every Sunday School class organize and have each member pledge something for the Home. We earnestly hope that each church will commence making plans for a great Thanksgiving offering.

We hope that the Liberty Association will set a high standard to support the Mills Home for the coming year.

C. M. WALL

6. New pastors as follows are introduced to the Association: Rev. M. A. Adams, Pastor of the Denton Field, Denton, N. C.; Rev. I. D. Ferguson, Pastor of Wallburg Church, Pilot Mountain, N. C., and Rev. John Arch McMillan, Pastor of the Church at The Mills Home, Thomasville, N. C.

7. Miss Leona Welborn reads the Report on the Biblical Recorder. On motion to adopt the report a very brilliant address is made on Christian Literature by Rev. J. A. McMillan of Thomasville, N. C., and the report is adopted.

REPORT ON BIBLICAL RECORDER

Ninety-five years ago the Baptists of North Carolina realized their need of a medium of communication. In 1833 Thomas Meredith, seeking to meet the need, founded the Biblical Recorder. Through these years the paper has served as the organ of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina. The paper is owned by a corporation composed of seventy-nine loyal Baptists who are willing to contribute to the on-going of our Baptist work in North Carolina. They not only believe in promoting our Baptist work, but they are willing to contribute to the same. And for the past five years this group has contributed more than $4,000 per annum in order that our people might have the Recorder without extra cost. The state convention has never contributed to the Recorder, nor has other individuals contributed to it except in a few instances where forward-looking, generous Baptists have paid for the Recorder to be sent to poor, worthy Baptists.

We think our people generally will agree that there ought to be consideration of and cooperation with the seventy-nine who are publishing the paper. We sincerely desire the cooperation in increasing the circulation. If our people will help in this one item they will aid in doing the work for which our paper is published—serve the Baptists of North Carolina.

Some of our state papers receive liberal donations from the Cooperative Program funds, and at least one has a price of $2.50 per year. Our price is $2.00 per year, or $1.00 for six months.

We hope every delegate to this association who is not a subscriber will subscribe immediately, and that those who are subscribers will become helpers in increasing the circulation.

Respectfully submitted,

LEONA WELBORN

INTRODUCTORY SERMON

8. The body is led in prayer by Rev. John R. Miller, Kernersville, N. C.

Rev. J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C., preaches the Introductory Sermon, using as his text, Mark 16:15 and Matthew 13:38, his subject being "The Obligation of a Missionary Baptist Church to Christ's Lost World." The sermon was deeply spiritual , ably delivered and well received by the large congregation present.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

9. The Moderator at this time appoints the following committees:

ON DIGEST OF CHURCH LETTERS:
H. T. Penry, C. H. Teague and J. M. Hayes.

ON FINANCE:
L. E. Teague, G. W. Miller and Grover Palmer.

ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER:
C. M. Wall and C. M. Howell.

ON CO-OPERATIVE WORK:
M. O. Alexander, John A. McMillan and J. E .Wrenn.

ON NOMINATIONS:

E. F. Mumford, J. R. Miller and D. S. Hayworth.

10. Prayer by Dr. Chas. E. Maddry, Raleigh, N. C.

11. The association adjourns at 12:20 o'clock to meet at 1:45 P. M.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

12. The Association re-convened at 1:45 P. M. Rev. John Jarrett conducts the devotional service and leads the prayer.

13. Dr. Chas. E. Maddry, General Secretary of the State Board, Raleigh, N. C., discusses in a masterful manner The Co-operative Program and Missions.

14. Hon. H. E. Olive, Lexington, N. C., at this time makes a very interesting speech on the Centennial Program. He urgently requested the churches to pay their pledges to this program.

15. Conrad Motsinger, Wallburg, N. C., reads the report on Sunday Schools which is adopted without discussion.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday School is the world's greatest institution for the promotion of Bible study. There is no other agency which causes so large a field in its work. From the youngest to those mature in years there is a place for them in the Sunday School. Since the State High Schools have spread throughout our land and caused many of our denominational schools to cease, a greater burden is brought to rest upon the Sunday Schools. This leaves the teaching of the Bible to the young people almost wholly up to the Sunday Schools. This is very important because the youth of today will be the adult and leader of tomorrow.

The first step of importance to be taken in teaching the word of God to the people, is selecting the right kind of officers and teachers. No Sunday School is likely to go beyond the ability of its leader and no class will rise higher than its teacher. Therefore, we need consecrated men and women to direct the affairs of the Sunday Schools. Men and women who know the Bible and know how to teach it. There is a course given by the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., for the training of officers and teachers. The only cost to this is the price of the books, which is a very small amount. Every teacher in our public schools of North Carolina is required to take a certain amount of training so why should we not avail ourselves of the training extended to us for making us better leaders and better teachers in the greatest school on earth. At present less than one-fourth of the Sunday School teachers of the Liberty Association hold normal course diplomas. Surely we need to hold training classes in many of our churches.

Perhaps the next step in importance is adequate church buildings. Only about one-third of the churches of the Liberty Association have all classes provided for. Each class should be provided with a well equipped class room; as no matter how great a work a Sunday School is doing, it could no doubt do greater work if it had the proper building and equipment.

Another very important step is organization. Unless the schools are properly graded and organized they cannot reach the height of their possibilities. Each class should be organized according to the standard set up by the Baptist Sunday School Board. We not only need each Sunday School well organized,

but we also need an organization of all the Schools of the Liberty Association. With such an organization special programs and benevolence could be emphasized in every church throughout the Association. Perhaps this would help solve our financial problems.

Finally, with efficiently trained officers and teachers, and having provided the necessary building and equipment, having our schools and classes properly organized, we should put on an enlargement campaign in every church in the Association. In doing this more people would be brought under the influence of God's word, and be led to give their hearts to the Lord Jesus Christ and their lives to this service.

Respectfully submitted,

Conrad F. Motsinger

16. At 3:40 P. M. the Association adjourns to meet at 8:00 P. M. this evening.

TUESDAY EVENING SESSION

17. The Association convened at 8:00 P. M. Prayer by Rev. E. F. Mumford, Wallburg, N. C.

18. Miss Elizabeth Smith reads the report on B. Y. P. U., whic his adopted without discussion.

REPORT ON B. Y. P. U.

The training of young people is a very important and necessary item in the growth and progress of our people throughout the entire association. The largest number of organizations reported in the history of the Liberty Associational B. Y. P. U. has been sent to the State Department during the past year, 13 Juniors, 8 Intermediates, and 14 Seniors, making a total of 37 unions. This shows there has been a gain of 9 new B. Y. P. U.'s in the last year.

A spirit of helpfulness has been manifested among some active unions, the loyal support and fine cooperation of our pastors and older church members has been of great value. Th e West Central Regional Convention which was held with the Lexington Church was a great inspiration to many B. Y. P. U.'ers. Also the Liberty Associational B. Y. P. U. Convention held at Churchland was of great help and many received much thought from the all-day program on Stewardship. The young people were very fortunate in having our Junior-Intermediate State B. Y. P. U. Secretary, Miss Winnie Rickett, who gave us such an inspirational address on "The Blazing Trail."

The Liberty Associational B. Y. P. U. is divided into three groups: the Lexington group which constitutes nine churches with 16 organized B. Y. P. U.'s having 310 members. Two churches in this group have no B. Y. P. U.'s organized, we are sorry to note. The Thomasville group is composed of 9 churches with 18 unions and approximately 360 members. Three churches of this group have no unions. The Denton group, composed of 8 churches, has only 4 B. Y. P. U.'s with 75 members, representing two churches.

Our need is threefold, enlistment, training and service. We trust many more will be aroused and each and every church shall have a well organized, functioning B. Y. P. U.—the only organization of the church where the young people are trained in stew-

ardship and the duties of church membership. Such training will find its expression in service and Christians need to render service in order to grow.

Respectfully submitted,
ELIZABETH SMITH

19. At this time Rev. John Arch McMillan, pastor of the Orphanage Church, Thomasville, N. C., makes a very able address on Stewardship. He based his remarks on John's vision as related in Revelations.

20. Prayer by Rev. M. O. Alexander, Thomasville, N. C. The Association adjourned at 9:30 P. M. to meet tomorrow morning at 9:00 A. M.

SECOND DAY

WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION

21. The Association convenes at 9:30 A. M., and the devotional service is conducted by Rev. Walter Wafford, Southmont, N. C.

22. Rev. J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C., presents to the association at this time T. L. Henderson, Sr., Lexington, N. C., who moved to Lexington about one year ago from South Carolina, where he has attended associations for over forty years.

23. Miss Lois Miller from Kernersville, N. C., reads the report on W. M. U. On motion to adopt the report it is discussed in a very worthy manner by Miss Miller and is adopted.

REPORT ON W. M. U.

Woman's Missionary Union as an auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention has been true to the term auxiliary, for it has certainly conferred aid and help in the kingdom work. It is so placed in the Convention that its activities touch the life of the Convention at every point. The work of the W. M. U. embraces every interest of Southern Baptists. And as Baptists in the Liberty Association let us see wherein this is true.

In the plan of work adopted for 1928-29 for Woman's Missionary Union, S. B. C., we find that the seven chief aims laid down as fundamentals are a veritable "rainbow of promise":

(1) Prayer—individual and united
(2) Bible study
(3) Mission study
(4) Soul-winning
(5) Enlistment and Training for Service
(6) Organized Personal Service in His name
(7) Systematic and Proportionate Giving

These aims may be "blended" in the W. M. U. watchword for the year 1929 found in Phil. 2:16: "Holding forth the word of life."

Even as in the rainbow one color stands out clearest and brightest, so in the seven aims of W. M. U., the predominant color, to my mind, is named first—prayer. That color shines bright now, for September brings our special season of prayer for State Missions. Let us catch the challenge of this message from our President of Southern W. M. U., Mrs. Cox: "Let it be a season of prayer. Let us choose the better part; the transforming part, prayer. Let us pray world-shaking prayers."

It is said that "there is a silence in which the soul grows." Where else can the souls of Christians grow more than during these seasons of prayer when the women and young people are studying the needs and praying definitely? We need to take more time to be holy and speak more often with our Lord.

These aims may be summed up in the two-fold dominant purpose for which the organization exists, namely, missionary information and missionary intercession. Some agencies for the spreading of missionary information are the monthly magazines—Royal Service, for the W. M. S.; The Window, for the Y. W. A. (beginning with the September issue, this year); and World Comrades for G. A., R. A., and Sunbeam Bands. These magazines give information and inspiration for the programs and all phases of the work.

Another agency used very successfully in spreading missionary information is the Mission Study class. It is a point on the Standard of Excellence, and W. M. U. Field Workers stress it. There is nothing that gives new life to a society like a mission study class.

When missionary information has been given, it is easy to foster missionary intercession by encouraging every member to become a missionary intercessor, to take part in the devotional service at each meeting, and to join in the special seasons of prayer for home and foreign missions.

In following these seven chief aims, Woman's Missionary Union strives to know missions; to give with system, according to the Bible plan; to make a definite aim, both as to amount to be raised, and the objects to be fostered. We begin with the young thus showing due consideration for the men and women of tomorrow, that we may continue to work worthily for the kingdom.

Respectfully submitted,

LOIS MILLER

24. Rev. M. O. Alexander, Thomasville, N. C., reads the report on the State of the Churches. On motion to adopt, it is ably discussed by Rev. M. O. Alexander, Rev. E. F. Mumford, Rev. J. M. Hayes, Rev. B. G. Earley, Representative for the Biblical Recorder, Rev. H. T. Penry, Rev. M. A. Adams and Rev. M. L. Kesler, and is adopted.

REPORT ON STATE OF THE CHURCHES

I trust that something of the state of our churches will be indicated in the following report. Questionnaires were sent to each of the 25 churches composing our Association and only 20 responded in any way at all. Now this may seem a fair proposition, but there can be no excuse for any church not responding to such a definite request for Associational information, except its deadness or indifference, either of which constitute a sad state of condition. So I am to report that Wallburg, Taylors Grove, Smiths Grove, Westfield and Summerville are in a serious condition and need at once definite attention from this body.

The 20 churches reporting all have had large numbers added by baptism and otherwise, a total nearing 400. The First Church, Lexington, reports 56 additions without special revival meetings. This church as further reports will show is fast taking its place of

leadership in our Association, numerically, financially and otherwise.

17 of the reporting churches state the missionary zeal and enthusiasm very low and 2 report missionary spirit fair and only 1 reports a fine missionary enthusiasm. This lack of mission fervor is and has been the pathetic part of our Associational history. We are "Missionary Baptists," and if we lose this, our distinguished principal, then we may become any one of 14 kinds of Baptist, including primitive and hardshells. Its a fatal day for us when we cease to be missionary in our work and financial support.

Every church without exception reports a growing Sunday School and splendid organizations of almost every kind to be expected in thriving Baptist churches. The fear is that we are well upon organizing and short on producing desired results. If all the standards reached in our work meant what they are supposed to mean, our condition would be far superior to what it really is.

While our work financially is comparatively good, yet there has been no special enthusiasm indicated by our giving. Some of our churches are working on a permanent financial plan and can be counted on by our general work for a certain support. Other churches seem discouraged and falling off in contributions to outside work. This matter of church finance seems to depend largely on the attitude and leadership of the pastor.

There has been very little money put into buildings this year, here and there slight changes and necessary repairs have been made. The attitude of the churches in this particular at this stage of our Baptist history is commendable and wise in the estimation of your reporter.

Many of our churches have suffered heavy losses by death of useful members, too many to make individual reference, there being 37 reported as active, useful members who were claimed by death since we met a year ago.

The Orphanage Church and the work of our Association suffered by the loss of our friend and Brother, E. N. Gardner. We could ill afford to permit First Church of Dunn to take him from us.

We have three new pastors in the Association, M. A. Adams, Denton Field; C. H. Foster, Churchland-Reeds, and J. A. McMillan, Orphanage. We are greatly encouraged by the presence of these splendid men who labor with us.

Brother Mumford is now pastoring Rich Fork, and Brother L. A. Connell is with South Side. South Side is more hopeful today than she has been since I have known the work in Thomasville.

Surely we are all heartily glad for the privilege we have enjoyed in a field of labor and while discouragements lie out before us, they serve to keep us humble and make prayer a necessity in each of our lives. Shall we bless God! Take courage and be more used of Him in the future. By all means, may the last state of our churches be far better than the first, each year.

Cordially,

M. O. ALEXANDER

25. In connection with the discussion on the State of the Churches, the committee appointed by the Moderator in Digest of Church Letters made its report. They presented their report to the congregation on a black board.

The discussion of this report was one of the most interesting hours of the entire Association.

CONSTITUTION

26. The following preamble and resolution is offered by Sam J. Smith and is discussed by Rev. M. A. Adams and Rev. M. L. Kesler, and is adopted.

WHEREAS: The Constitution of this body was adopted nearly 100 years ago and served well and good in its day, and with honor to its authors; but by reason of its age and due to the many changes that have taken place since that time, same has to a certain extent become obsolete.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That said constitution be amended to read as follows:

Name

Article 1. The name of the body shall be "The Liberty Baptist Association."

Object

Article 2. It shall be the object of this Association to furnish the gospel (as we hold it) to the people within the bounds of the Association, and to co-operate with the Baptist State Convention.

Membership

Article 3. The Association shall consist of the officers of the Association, pastors of the churches in the Association, and Messengers from the churches. Each church shall be entitled to three messengers and one additional messenger for every 50 members or fraction thereof over and above 100 members.

Officers

Article 4. The Officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice Moderator, a Treasurer and a Clerk, all of whom shall be elected each year by the Association at its annual meeting and shall hold office until their successors are elected. The duties of the officers shall correspond to the duties of the same officers in like organizations, or as defined by the Association from time to time.

Boards and Committees

Article 5. The Association shall elect an Executive Committee each year whose duties shall be to look after having the gospel preached in all parts of the Association, and to attend to all business of the Association between the sessions and to make such reports as they deem advisable at the annual meeting of the Association. The Association may appoint or elect such other Boards or Committees from time to time as circumstances may require.

Time of Meeting

Article 6. The Association shall meet annually, on Tuesday after the first Sunday in September. The Moderator may at the request of the Executive Committee change the time or the place of meeting of this Association when it may be deemed by him not expedient to meet at the time or place appointed.

Vacancies

Article 7. The Moderator in concurrence with the Executive Committee may fill any vacancy occurring between meetings of the Association.

Amendments

Article 8. This Constitution may be amended at any regular session of the Association by a two-thirds vote of the number present.

By-Laws

No By-Laws adopted. The Association follows Kerfoot's Rules of Order for Parliamentary Authority.

27. At this time special prayers are offered for the body and all its churches by Rev. M. L. Kesler, Thomasville, N. C., Rev. John R. Miller, Kernersville, N. C., and Rev. Walter Wafford, Southmont, N. C.

28. The Association adjourns at 12:00 Noon to meet again at 1:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

29. The Association convenes at 1:30 P. M. Devotional service is conducted by Rev. L. A. Connell, Thomasville, N. C. Prayer by Rev. B. G. Early, Raleigh, N. C.

30. At this time Rev. W. R. Yokely of Tabernacle Church reads the report on Home Missions. Rev. John R. Miller reads the report on State Missions. Rev. J. M. Hayes reads the report on Christian Education prepared by Miss Mary Misenheimer of Lexington, N. C., and Rev. E. F. Mumford reads the report on Minister's Annuity and Relief, which is discussed by Rev. M. A. Adams and Rev. M. L. Kesler. The reports are all adopted.

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

Your committee to report on Home Missions, in view of the fact that the Home Mission Board has gone through such trying circumstances during the past year, wishes to submit the following report which in form is a statement of the policy of the Home Mission Board as a new institution. Those who are now at the head of this work are asking us to forget those tragic days of the past when such dark pages were written into our history. At a very dark hour in Israel's life Jehovah said to Moses, "Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward." And as their only hope was in a forward march so we cannot go backward; organized Christian forces have nothing to which they can go back; with us it is forward or nothing. The immediate task of the Home Mission Board is the payment of its debts. We may not all be perfectly agreed as to just how this is to be done, but there is no reason to be nervous or panicky or sensitive about this matter now. They tell us from the home base at Atlanta that we, of course, are not responsible for this great loss that came to the Home Mission Board, but they also say that we as a nation were not responsible for the World War, however, we paid and are still paying. The Board promises implicitly to follow the instructions of the Convention. As an agency through which Southern Baptists are cooperating in Home Mission work the Home Mission Board shall attempt to become an efficient, economic agency so conducting itself as to merit the confidence and support of Southern Baptists. No one shall be prohibited from making designa-

tions, but it shall not be the purpose of the Board to put on a campaign for these designations. The Home Mission Board shall put itself solidly behind the Cooperative Program of the Southern Baptist Convention. They say further, "We promise on our sacred honor that all funds shall have every safeguard thrown around their handling; from month to month we will publish an itemized statement of receipts; all original letters containing money shall be kept on file and checked by the auditor against cash book entries. All checks have to be signed by two people: signed by the Executive Secretary-Treasurer and one other officer of the Board." It shall be the policy of the Home Mission Board to sell all property which is now owned by said Board—all property not being used for mission work and use the proceeds in helping to liquidate the debts. The new Executive Secretary-Treasurer is J. B. Lawrence with headquarters at 804 Mortgage Guarantee Building, Atlanta, Ga.

Respectfully submitted by the committee,

W. ROSS YOKLEY, Chairman

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

In a little more than one year from now we will celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of the organization of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

Prior to that time there had been some missionary work done by associations, churches, societies and individuals; and we had a possible Baptist constituancy of some fifteen or twenty thousand members; but the organization of the Convention in 1830, marks the beginning of Baptist progress in our State.

With the organization of the Convention, by the "Immortal Fourteen," the work of State Missions became an active agency for the Kingdom of God in North Carolina, and what we, as Baptists, have achieved during the past century, in all lines of Kingdom work, our present Baptist assets of churches, schools and colleges, benevolent and charitable institutions—as well as our marvelous growth in membership—is largely a result of the work of State Missions.

The achievements of our fathers in the past century are but a challenge to us of today; if they, with a poor and scattered constituency in 1830, have bequeathed unto us such a glorious heritage as we now enjoy: What will the Baptist rating and record be, one hundred years from now? The answer to this question will be determined by how much sacrificial service our three hundred and fifty thousand North Carolina Baptists are willing to lay on God's altar.

Under our present arrangement, all of our religious activities in the State have been practically unified, and our General Board fosters all phases of our denominational work; thus vitally relating State Missions to our entire North Carolina Baptist program.

Your committee would beg to submit a few suggestions: Our State Mission work, in the development of our churches, in the helping of needy mission fields, and in caring for new industrial centers must be maintained and enlarged.

All of our religious institutions, colleges and schools ,must be relieved of their present burden of debt; and endowed and equipped sufficiently to enable them to meet present day conditions.

Our people must be informed and enlisted in the vital matters of our religious activities, and to do this, we must greatly increase the reading of our denominational literature.

Our present policy of retrenchment must be changed. We can not çontinue such a program, and conquest the world, or our State, for the Lord Jesus Christ.

We would earnestly impress upon our churches, that so far as possible, we must enlist all our people in all the interests of our Master's Kingdom—"Teach them to observe all things whatsoever He has commanded us."

JOHN R. MILLER, Com.

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Someone has said, "The life of a nation depends upon its schools. The value of a school depends upon its ideals. The ideals of a school have their highest worth only as they are Christian." Baptists have ever recognized that Christianity is not a mere product of training and culture, but the result of a work of God, finding its genesis in a God-surrendered heart and its goal in an abiding fellowship of God. Nevertheless, Baptists have ever bee nthinkers, and we cannot hope to do our work well in the future without bringing the mentality of our people to the highest efficiency possible. The education of American youth is too far-reaching in its kingdom significance for Baptists to ever think of turning it over wholly to the state.

Baptists have profited much from the work of their academies, colleges and seminaries. These have been mighty factors in putting Baptists and their claims before the world, in training our noblest workers at home and abroad and in giving impetus to all our varied Baptist activities. Our schools have been a most valuable agency, through which Baptists have made their contribution to kingdom progress. We should be glad to pay the cost of presenting through our schools the Baptist message to the world, and for us to ignore completely Christian education would mean failure in trying to get that message across to the present generation. Of the more than 100,000 boys and girls who are away from Baptist homes attending some sort of school, only about 35.000 are in Baptist schools. Baptists are doing well in trying to make some contribution to the moral and religious life of those other 65,000 students through the Department of Southern Baptist Student Work with Frank H. Leavell Secretary and his associates. Not all of the 35,000 students in Baptist schools will obtain a full Christian education, but enough of them will, and the rest will be benefited enough, to justify the business of our Baptist educational program. The highest product that the educational movement in America has produced is the Christian school. Baptists by their traditions and fundamental principles should be best fitted to promote the highest type of Christian education.

Baptists of the South have 259 teachers, 3,133 students and property values of $3,271.492 in their academies; 491 teachers, 6.811 students and property values of $10,790,113 in their junior

colleges; 1,028 teachers, 17,192 students, and property values of $38,440,000 in their senior colleges; and 82 teachers, 1,335 students and resources of $7,624,079 in their seminaries. Present endowments are inadequate. The endowment of eastrn colleges ranges from $6,000 to $20,000 per student, while the average endowment of the colleges of Southern Baptists is only about $1,000 per student. Charges of our colleges which seem to some to be too great, must remain at least where they are until we give our colleges more adequate endowments. We Baptists of the South need to call upon one another to reaffirm our allegiance to the task of Christian education, to send our boys and girls to Baptist schools and to sustain our noble schools with our prayers, influence and money.

In proportion to our numbers and wealth, North Carolina Baptist schools have not kept pace with the growth of the educational system at large, but their progress has been steady. Property value of our three four-year colleges, Meredith, Wake Forest and Chowan is approximately $5,013,034, while their enrollment totals 2,085. Last year our three junior colleges, Mars Hill, Wingate and Campbell had an enrollment of 1,120 students, and resources of $976,198. Boiling Springs enrolled 197 students last year; while our Home Mission Board Schools, Fruitland, Sylva and Mountain View had an enrollment of 299 students.

North Carolina Baptists realizing that it is their God-given duty to make their ideals dominant in education, have inaugurated a broad and systematic educational program. This program includes the payment of existing debts, and the purchase of much needed equipment. Surely we must reach our Centennial in 1930 with these hopes realized. Mr. Gardner in a report to the Association last year says that the Liberty Association as a whole responded well to the call to lift the burdens from our schools in North Carolina by subscribing around $20,000. Let us pray for a Christ-like spirit of cooperation and gladness that this obligation may be met completely.

Respectfully submitted,

REPORT ON MINISTER'S ANNUITY AND RELIEF

The Relief and Annuity Board has completed another year of successful effort and faithful stewardship in the highly important work committed to it by the Convention. It was with grateful acknowledgment to Almighty God for His guidance and to the pastors and churches for their co-operation that the Board presents its eleventh annual report.

A RECORD YEAR IN BENEFITS PAID

The benefits paid from the two funds, the Relief and the Annuity, have surpassed in the aggregate those of any previous year. There has been distributed in relief benefits $121,884.51 and in annuity benefits $40,821.35, or a total sum of $162,705.06. This sum is equivalent to interest earnings on approximately $3,000,000.00. The benefits paid to relief beneficiaries, while greater in the aggregate than those of last year, were far too meager to meet their actual necessities.

The benefits paid by the Annuity Fund were the maximum promised to certificate holders of that fund, viz., $500.00 to ministers and $300.00 to the widows or orphan children of deceased member ministers.

INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES

Likewise the number of beneficiaries in the two departments was larger during the past year than during any previous year, these beneficiaries being classified as follows:

Number of Regular Beneficiaries Aided (ministers 624, widows 525	1,149
Number aided by emergency grants (ministers 25, widows 14)	39
Number dependent children indirectly aided	150
Total number aided	1,338
Annuity Beneficiaries	110
Total aided both funds	1,448

PRESENT ROLL OF BENEFICIARIES

1. Relief Fund

Ministers, 566; widows, 510; dependent children (indirectly aided), 150.

Total number on roll, relief fund	1,226
Amount Necessary to Pay Relief Beneficiaries	$132,000

2. Annuity Fund

Old age annuitants, 38; widows, 45; orphans, 3; disability, 24; total	110
Old age annuitants due to be added during year, 14.	
Amount of money necessary to pay these annuities	$58,000
(This figure includes estimated amount necessary for additional disability annuities during the year.)	
Total number of beneficiaries in both departments	1,336
Total amount necessary to pay Relief and Annuity beneficiaries	$190,000

(Operating Expense not included.)

The amounts paid by the board to beneficiaries since its organization eleven years ago, are as follows:

Relief fund	$1,167,251.84
Annuity fund	131,929.70
Total	$1,299,181.54

ANOTHER YEAR OF HEALTHY FINANCIAL GROWTH

The total resources of the Board April 30, 1928 were $2,744,974.07. To these resources were added during the year just closed $282,530.86 so that the total as of April 30, 1929 was $3,028,504.93.

The Board received from the churches through the Co-operative Program $140,070.59. The amount received from the Christhas Thank Offering was $10,811.36, the amount received from designated gifts was $12,910.36. Added to these were the interest earnings on our Endowment and Reserves amounting to $175,956.72. and the sum of $83,985.00 received from friends of the Board on the Conditional Gift Annuity Contract basis.

E. F. MUMFORD

31. Prof. A. F. Hendricks makes a short address in the interest of his school, Wingate College at Wingate, N. C.

32. Rev. M. O. Alexander, by using passages from the Bible shows in a very convincing manner "God's Plan of Financing His Program." Further remarks are made on this subject by Rev. B. G. Early, Raleigh, N. C., Rev. H. T. Penry, Rev. J. M. Hayes, Rev. M. A. Adams and Rev. W. R. Yokely.

33. Rev. E. F. Mumford in the absence of the Chairman reads the report of the Committee on Time, Place and Preacher, which is adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

For 1930 Session

Place—Abbotts Creek Church, Route 4, High Point, N. C.
Time, Tuesday after First Sunday in September, 1930.
Preacher, Rev. M. L. Kesler, Thomasville, N. C.
Alternate, Rev. John Arch McMillan, Thomasville, N. C.

C. M. WALL,
C. M. HOWELL,
Committee on Time, Place and Preacher

34. Rev. E. F. Mumford reads the report of the Committee on Nominations, which is adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON NOMINATIONS

Associational Director—M. O. Alexander, Thomasville, N. C.
Orphanage Representative—R. D. Covington, Thomasville, N. C.

To Prepare Reports for Next Session:

State of Churches—M. O. Alexander, Thomasville, N. C.
Home Missions—H. T. Penry, Southmont, N. C.
Religious Literature, Recorder—John Arch McMillan, Thomasville, N. C.
Baptist Hospitals—E. F. Mumford, Wallburg, N. C.
State Missions—C. H. Foster, Linwood, N. C.
B. Y. P. U.—Miss Elizabeth Smith, Linwood, N. C.
Christian Education—W. L. Bowman, Thomasville, N. C.
Foreign Missions—Rev. J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C.
Ministerial Relief—C. M. Wall, Lexington, N. C.
Woman's Work—Mrs. R. S. Green, Thomasville, N. C.
Sunday Schools—E. C. Roach, Jamestown, N. C.
Orphanage—G. W. Miller, Lexington, N. C.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE FOR 1930

Chairman—E. F. Mumford, Wallburg, N. C.
M. O. Alexander, Thomasville, N. C.
J. A. McMillan, Thomasville, N. C.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Chairman: M. L. Kesler, Thomasville, N. C.
G. W. Miller, Lexington, N. C.
L. E. Teague, Thomasville, N. C.
D. S. Hayworth, High Point, N. C., Route 4
A. L. Snider, Denton, N. C.
C. C. Wrenn, Southmont, N. C.

REPRESENTATIVE ON STATE MISSION BOARD

M. L. Kesler, Thomasville, N. C.

DELEGATE TO SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION
J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C.
DELEGATE TO STATE BAPTIST CONVENTION
E. F. Mumford, Wallburg, N. C.

E. F. MUMFORD,
D. S. HAYWORTH,
J. R. MILLER,
Committee on Nominations

Sam J. Smith reads the Treasurer's Report, which is adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Lexington, N. C., Sept. 3, 1929.

To the Liberty Baptist Association:

I submit herewith my report as treasurer of the Association for the year ending September 2, 1929.

Receipts

Abbotts Creek, $5.00; Center Hill, $4.00; Churchland, $5.00; Denton, $6.00; Tabernacle, $4.00; Gravel Hill, $1.25; Holloways, $3.65; Jersey, $3.00; Lexington, $25.00; Liberty, $2.00; Lick Creek, $3.50; New Friendship, $5.00; Oak Hill, $2.00; Orphanage, $10.00; Reeds, $5.00; Rich Fork, $5.00; Smith Grove, $ .00; Southside, $2.00; Westfield, $3.00; Stoners Grove, $5.00; Summerville, $2.00; Taylors Grove, $1.00; Thomasville, $15.00; Wallburg, $5.00; Walters Grove, $1.00; Welcome, $2.00.

Total for Minutes, Printing and Clerk $125.40

Disbursements

Charity and Children, Printing Minutes	$85.00
Sam J. Smith, Clerk	25.00
Rose Printing Co., Stationery	6.00
Express	.75
Postage	7.40
Balance on Hand	1.35
	$125.40

Respectfully submitted,
SAM J. SMITH, Treasurer

36. G. C. Palmer reads the report of the Finance Committee. On motion to adopt it is discussed by Rev. E. F. Mumford, Rev. M. O. Alexander and Rev. M. L. Kesler and is adopted.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

We recommend that each church raise the amount set opposite its name to be applied on the Co-operative Program next year:

Abbotts Creek	$ 800.00	Reeds	550.00
Center Hill	100.00	Rich Fork	225.00
Churchland	1,000.00	Smith Grove	175.00
Denton	750.00	Southside	50.00
Gravel Hill	50.0..	Stoners Grove	400.00
Holloways	400.00	Summerville	200.00
Jersey	600.00	Tabernacle	350.00
Lexington	2,320.00	Taylors Grove	10.00
Liberty	150.00	Thomasville	2,320.00
Lick Creek	150.00	Wallburg	500.00
New Friendship	300.00	Walters Grove	10.00
Oak Hill	50.00	Welcome	200.00
Orphanage	2,000.00	Westfield	50.00

MINUTE FUND

For Minute Fund, printing, etc., we recommend that each church pay not less than 3 cents per member.

This by all means should be sent to the association with the church letter which would avoid delay in the printing and delivery of the minutes, and relieve the treasurer of unnecessary trouble and expense in collecting it.

For the printing of the 1929 Minutes and for the Clerk we find there has been paid $65.00.

L. E. TEAGUE,
G. W. MILLER,
G. C. PALMER,
Finance Committee

37. T. L. Henderson, Sr., presents the following resolution, which is adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

RESOLVED: that we hereby extend to the pastor and members of Stoners Grove church and the people of this community our sincere thanks and gratitude for their gracious entertainment and hospitality during the sessions of the association.

And that we also thank them for the use of their church and equipment for the present session.

38. The association adjourned at 3:30 P. M.

ARCHIBALD JOHNSON, Moderator
G. W. MILLER, Vice Moderator
SAM J. SMITH, Clerk

In Remembrance of Those Who Have Answered the Roll Call Since Our Last Association

ABBOTTS CREEK

Mrs. Jane Rothrock
Mrs. Mary J. Motsinger
Mrs. Mary Hayworth
Mrs. Grace Spurgeon
Mr. E. E. Criddlebough
Mr. W. T. Hedgecock

CENTER HILL

Mrs. Robert Wilson
Mrs. Amy Rickard

CHURCHLAND

Mr. A. A. Grubb
Mr. C. A. Barnes
Mr. Stewart Hartley
Mrs. R. L. Lomax
Mrs. C. E. Davis

DENTON

Mr. J. D. Hedrick
Mrs. Mary E. Davis

GRAVEL HILL

Mr. J. C. Loftin

HOLLOWAYS

Mrs. Jane Crook
Mr. Abram Cross
Mrs. Abram Cross

LEXINGTON

Mrs. L. F. Smith
Mr. D. C. Hayes
Mr. J. A. Brown
Miss Fannie Sink
Mrs. W. F. Thomason
Mrs. W. B. Tucker

LIBERTY

Mr. Cope Miller

NEW FRIENDSHIP

Mr. Thomas Jefferson
Mr. W. O. Charles

REEDS

Mr. Bain Snider
Mr. Woodrow Carter
Mr. A. L. Myers
Mrs. A. L. Myers

RICH FORK

Mrs. Sarah Everhart

SMITH GROVE

Mrs. Charlie Williams

SOUTHSIDE

Mrs. Martha Byerly
Mrs. Mae Chisholm

SUMMERVILLE

Mrs. Ella Morris
Mrs. Flora Wood

TABERNACLE

Mr. R. L. Bryant

THOMASVILLE

Miss Mamie Faulk

WESTFIELD

Mrs. Lucy Loftin
Mrs. Fannie Sprinkle

PASTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION

Adams, M. A., Denton, N. C.
Alexander, M. O., Thomasville, N. C.
Bradley, E. L., Asheville, N. C.
Buck, P. D., Asheboro, N. C.
Connell, L. A., Thomasville, N. C.
Ferguson, Ira D., Pilot Mountain, N. C.
Foster, C. H., Linwood, N. C.
Hanes, J. H., Winston-Salem, N. C.
Hayes, J. M., Lexington, N. C.
Miller, John R., Kernersville, N. C.
Morris, D. P., Norwood, N. C.
Mumford, E. F., Wallburg, N. C.
McMillan, John Arch, Thomasville, N. C.
Penry, H. T., Southmont, N. C.
Roach, E. C., Jamestown, N. C.
West, R. L., Albemarle, N. C.
Yokely, W. Ross, Erlanger, N. C.

ORDAINED MINISTERS HOLDING MEMBERSHIP IN ASSOCIATION WHO ARE NOT PASTORS, AND CHURCHES THEY BELONG TO

Bishop, S., Lexington, N. C.....Tabernacle
Clarke, B. F., Thomasville, N. C.....Thomasville
Gallimore, Arthur, Shanghai, China.....Lexington
Jarrett, John, Lexington, N. C., Route 6.....Center Hill
Newton, J. D., Thomasville, N. C.....Thomasville
Shepherd, V. D., Thomasville, N. C.....Southside
Wall, Ronald, Louisville, Ky.....Lexington
West, B. L., Warsaw, N. C.....Rich Fork
Wafford, Walter, Southmont, N. C.....Stoners Grove

No Licensed Ministers Reported.

B. Y. P. U. PRESIDENTS AND LEADERS LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Abbotts Creek	Reeds
Center Hill	Rich Fork
Churchland	Smith Grove
Denton	Stoners Grove
Jersey	Tabernacle
Lexington	Thomasville
Orphanage	

Presidents and Leaders of B.Y.P.U.'s and Post Offices
Miss Mattie Teague (Sr.) High Point, N. C. Route 4
H. G. Taylor (Sr.) Lexington, N. C. Route 6
Miss Rosa Hunt (Jr.) Lexington, N. C. Route 6
Council Sharpe (Sr.) Linwood, N. C. Route 1
Miss Beulah Hilliard (Jr.) Linwood, N. C. Route 1
Miss Hazel Russell (Sr.) Denton. N. C.
A. L. Snider (Int.) Denton, N. C.
Miss Thelma Russell (Jr.) Denton, N. C.
Miss Sadie Sharpe (Int.) Linwood, N. C.
Miss Elizabeth Smith (Jr.) Linwood, N. C.
Miss Mina Misenheimer (Sr.) Lexington, N. C.
Gilmer Cross (Int.) Lexington, N. C.

Miss Violet Cross (Jr.) Lexington, N. C.
Miss Mattie L. Henderson (Jr.) Lexington, N. C.
Loyd Swink (Sr.) Thomasville, N. C.
Miss Myrtle Cooper (Sr.) Thomasville, N. C.
Miss Ethel Tilley (Sr.) Thomasville, N. C.
Miss Ruth Owings (Int.) Thomasville, N. C.
Miss Olivia Hocutt (Int.) Thomasville, N. C.
Edwin Lanier (Int.) Thomasville, N. C.
Miss Sue Wright (Jr.) Thomasville, N. C.
Goldie Strickland (Jr.) Thomasville, N. C.
Miss Grace Phelps (Jr.) Thomasville, N. C.
Miss Sallie Foster (Sr.) Lexington, N. C. Route 3
Clyde Eddinger (Sr.) Thomasville, N. C.
Miss Zelmo Leonard (Jr.) Lexington, N. C. Route 3
Miss Ruth Snider (Sr.) Linwood, N. C.
Miss Ruth Wrenn (Sr.) Southmont, N. C.
Miss Mary Jenkins (Sr.) Erlanger, N. C.
Mrs. W. R. Yokely (Int.) Erlanger, N. C.
Miss Pearl Leonard (Jr.) Erlanger, N. C.
Frank P. Everhart (Sr.) Thomasville, N. C.
Mrs. C. M. Howell (Int.) Thomasville, N. C.
Miss Elizabeth Teague (Jr.) Thomasville, N. C.

B. Y. P. U. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

President—Miss Elizabeth Smith, Linwood, N. C.
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V.-President (Denton Group)—Miss Hazel Russell, Denton, N. C.
Junior-Intermediate Leader—Miss Mattie Lee Wrenn, Southmont, N. C.
Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Sarah Bishop, Erlanger, N. C.
Chorister—Rev. C. R. Foster, Linwood, N. C.
Pianist—Miss Elizabeth Baines, Linwood, N. C.

OFFICERS WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Churches	New Friendship
Abbotts Creek	Orphanage
Center Hill	Reeds
Churchland	Rich Fork
Denton	Stoners Grove
Gravel Hill	Tabernacle
Holloways	Thomasville
Jersey	Wallburg
Lexington	

Presidents and Addresses
Miss Mattie Teague, Kernersville, N. C., Route 1
Mrs. H. L. Miller, Lexington, N. C., Route 6
Mrs. M. C. Hannah, Linwood, N. C., Route 3
Mrs. W. T. Harris, Denton, N. C.
Mrs. E. M. Russell, New Hope Academy, N. C.
Mrs. W. H. Johnson, Lexington, N. C., Route 6
Mrs. R. L. Palmer, Linwood, N. C.
Mrs. L. A. Martin, Lexington. N. C.
Mrs. W. J. Griffin, Winston-Salem, N. C., Route 4

Miss Lottie Olney, Thomasville, N. C.
Mrs. Alda Craver.
Mrs. W. M. Eddinger, Thomasville, N. C.
Mrs. L. E. Lookabill, Southmont, N. C.
Mrs. R. K. Smith, Erlanger, N. C.
Mrs. M. O. Alexander, Thomasville, N. C.
Miss Etta Teague, Wallburg, N. C.

OTHER AUXILIARY LEADERS

Y. W. COUNSELORS

Denton—Hazel Russell, Denton, N. C.
Lexington—Mrs. J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C.
New Friendship—Mrs. Farris Swaim, Winston-Salem, Route 5
Thomasville—Mrs. Prevette Westmoreland, Thomasville, N. C.

G. A. LEADERS

Churchland—Mary Jo Hannah, Linwood, N. C., Route 3
Holloways—Miss Tela Beanblossom, High Rock, N. C., Route 1
Lexington—Mrs. J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C.
New Friendship—Mrs. S. O. Hinkle, Winston-Salem, Route 5
Thomasville—Mrs. C. M. Howell and Mrs. C. F. Lambeth, Thomville, N. C.
Wallburg—Miss Clara Wall, Wallburg, N. C.

R. A. LEADERS

Churchland—Louise Barnes, Linwood, N. C., Route 1
New Friendship—Dr. Alfred Hartman W,inston-Salem, Route 5.

SUNBEAM LEADERS

Churchland—Mary Neal Shoaf, Linwood, N. C., Route 3
Holloways—Miss Elva Crook, High Rock, N. C.
Lexington—Mrs. Hobart Raker, Lexington, N. C.
New Friendship—Mrs. Robt. Hampton. Winston-Salem, Route 6
Orphanage—Miss Mary Cook. Thomasville, N. C.
Stoners Grove—Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Linwood, N. C., Route 3.
Tabernacle—Miss Bill Hughes, Erlanger, N. C.
Thomasville—Mrs. R. G. Jennings, Thomasville, N. C.

W. M. U. ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

Superintendent—Miss Sallie McCracken, Thomasville, N. C.
Associate Superintendent—Mrs. R. S. Green, Thomasville, N. C.
Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Esther Newton, Thomasville, N. C.
Junior Superintendent—Mis Mary Misenheimer, Lexington, N. C.
Personal Service Chairman—Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, Thomasville. N. C.
Mission Study Chairman—Mrs. W. J. Griffin, Winston-Salem, R. 4

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE ASSOCIATION

Year	WHERE HELD	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1832	1Jamestown	Geo. W. Purefoy	Wm. Burch	Peter Owen
1833	Holloways	Josiah Wiseman	Eli Carroll	Peter Owen
1834	Abbotts Creek	Eli Carroll	Eli Carroll	Peter Owen
1835	Liberty	John Culpepper	Eli Carroll	Peter Owen
1836	Jersey	Eli Carroll	Eli Carroll	Peter Owen
1837	Lick Creek	Peter Owen	Eli Carroll	Peter Owen
1838	Abbotts Creek	Benjamin Lanier	Eli Carroll	Peter Owen
1839	2Pine Meeting H.	Eli Carroll	Eli Carroll	Peter Owen
1840	Holloways	Josiah Wiseman	Eli Carroll	Peter Owen
1841	New Friendship	Benjamin Lanier	Gershom Tuessey	Peter Owen
1842	Redds X Roads	Barton Roby	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1843	Lick Creek	Benjamin Lanier	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1844	Abbotts Creek	Wm. Turner	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1845	Jersey	Alfred Kinney	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1846	Lick Creek	Wm. Turner	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1847	Abbotts Creek	Wm. Turner	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1848	Reeds X Roads	Benjamin Lanier	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1849	3Big Creek	Azariah Williams	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1850	1Jamestown	Benjamin Lanier	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1851	Liberty	Wm. Turner	Wm. Turner	Azariah Williams
1852	Holloways	Z. Minor	Wm. Turner	Azariah Williams
1853	Abbotts Creek	Benjamin Lanier	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1854	Reeds X Roads	Alfred Kinney	Joseph Spurgeon	Azariah Williams
1855	Lick Creek	Benjamin Lanier	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1856	Abbotts Creek	Unknown	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1857	Reeds X Roads	Wm. Lambeth	Amos Weaver	Azariah Williams
1858	Holloways	Amos Weaver	Amos Weaver	Azariah Williams
1859	New Friendship	Benjamin Lanier	Benjamin Lanier	J. H. Owen
1860	Abbotts Creek	Wm. Turner	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1861	Jersey	J. B. Jackson	J. B. Jackson	Azariah Williams
1862	Lick Creek	F. H. Jones	J. B. Jackson	Azariah Williams
1863	Abbotts Creek	T. W. Tobey	J. B. Jackson	Azariah Williams
1864	Thomasville	W. H. Hammer	Benjamin Lanier	Azariah Williams
1865	Lick Creek	on account of	conditions caused	by Civil War
1866	No Session held	W. T. Walters	Benjamin Lanier	J. H. Owen
1867	Abbotts Creek	Benjamin Lanier	Benjamin Lanier	J. H. Owen
1868	Jersey	W. H. Hammer	Benjamin Lanier	J. H. Owen
1869	Abbotts Creek	A. P. Stokes	Wm. Turner	J. H. Owen
1870	3Big Creek	Wm. Turner	Wm. Turner	J. H. Owen
1871	2Pine Meeting H.	W. M. Wingate	Wm. Turner	J. H. Owen
1872	New Friendship	H. Morton	J. H. Brooks	J. L. Pleasant
1873	Holloways	Thomas Carrick	H. Morton	Thomas Carrick
1874	Lick Creek	A. F. Redd	Wm. Turner	Thomas Carrick
1875	4Muddy Creek	C. T. Bailey	Wm. Turner	Thomas Carrick
1876	Reeds X Roads	H. W. Reinhart	Wm. Turner	Thomas Carrick
1877	High Point	J. B. Richardson	Wm. Turner	Henry Sheets
1878	Big Creek	H. W. Reinhart	H. W. Reinhart	Henry Sheets
1879	Liberty	Harvey Hatcher	H. W. Reinhart	Henry Sheets
1880	Holloways	S. F. Conrad	H. W. Reinhart	Henry Sheets
1881	Jersey	Henry Shetts	H. W. Reinhart	Henry Sheets
1882	4Muddy Creek	S. H. Thompson	H. W. Reinhart	Henry Sheets
1883	2Pine Meeting H.	O. F. Gregory	H. W. Reinhart	Henry Sheets
1884	Summerville	S. H. Thompson	Wm. Turner	Henry Sheets
1885	Lexington	J. B. Richardson	Wm. Turner	Henry Sheets
1886	Abbotts rCeek	J. B. Richardson	Wm. Turner	Henry Sheets
1887	Lick Creek	Henry Sheets	Wm. Turner	Henry Sheets
1888	Reeds X Roads	C. Durham	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1889	New Friendship	W. F. Watson	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1890	Jersey	J. M. Bennett	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1891	2Pine Meeting H.	J. K. Fant	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1892	High Point	Henry Sheets	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1893	Kernersville	R. T. Bryan	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1894	Holloways	R. Vandeventer	James Smith	Henry Sheets.
1895	Pleasant Grove	J. M. Hilliard	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1896	Denton	Henry Sheets	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1897	5Piney Grove	W. H. Rich	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1898	Rich Fork	J. H. Lambert	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1899	Abbotts Creek	S. B. Wilson	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1900	Reeds X Roads	W. H. Rich	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1801	Lexington	C. A. G. Thomas	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1802	Lick Creek	Henry Sheets	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1903	Jersey	W. A. Smith	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1904	2Pine Meeting H.	Geo. P. Harrill	James Smith	Henry Sheets

HISTORICAL TABLE OF THE ASSOCIATION—Continued

Year	WHERE HELD	PREACHER	MODERATOR	CLERK
1905	New Friendship	John R. Miller	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1906	Thomasville	J. S. Farmer	James Smith	Henry Sheets
1907	Wallburg	Dr. R. T. Vann	J.W. Nowell	P. S. Vann
1908	Denton	M. L. Kesler	J.W. Nowell	P. S. Vann
1909	Liberty	S. D. Swaim	Henry Sheets	P. S. Vann
1910	Orphanage	O. A. Keller	Henry Sheets	P. S. Vann
1911	Abbotts Creek	G. A. Martin	Henry Sheets	P. S. Vann
1912	Stoners Grove	O. A. Keller	Henry Sheets	P. S. Vann
1913	Rich Fork	M. L. Kesler	Henry Sheets	P. S. Vann
1914	Holloways	G. A. Martin	G. A. Martin	Henry Sheets
1915	Center Hill	O. A. Keller	O. A. Keller	Henry Sheets
1916	Wallburg	I. M. Mercer	O. A. Keller	Henry Sheets
1917	Smith Grove	Fred D. Hale	R. S. Green	Henry Sheets
1918	Lexington	M. L. Kesler	R. S. Green	Archibald Johnson
1919	Denton	R. E. White	R. S. Green	Archibald Johnson
1920	New Friendship	J. S. Hardaway	R. S. Green	Archibald Johnson
1921	Churchland	M. L. Kesler	R. S. Green	Archibald Johnson
1922	Summerville	W. A. Hough	R. S. Green	Paul C. Newton
1923	Abbotts Creek	W. L. Barrs	Archibald Johnson	Paul C. Newton
1924	Reeds	C. H. Trueblood	Archibald Johnson	Sam J. Smith
1925	Liberty	C. A. Owens	Archibald Johnson	Sam J. Smith
1926	Rich Fork	E. N. Gardner	Archibald Johnson	Sam J. Smith
1927	Thomasville	H. T. Penry	Archibald Johnson	Sam J. Smith
1928	Holloways	M. L. Kesler	Archibald Johnson	Sam J. Smith
1929	Stoners Grove	J. M. Hayes	Archibald Johnson	Sam J. Smith

1 Now High Point; 2 Now Churchland; 3 Now Eldorado;
4 Now Clemmonsville; 5 Now Wallburg

PROCEEDINGS OF THE W. M. U. OF THE LIBERTY ASSOCIATION

The Woman's Missionary Union of the Liberty Association held its twenty-third annual session with the society of the Tabernacle Church at Erlanger on August 22, 1929. The meeting was called to order by the Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Green at ten o'clock. The hymn for the year, "The Kingdom is Coming," was sung, after which the watchwords were given, led by Mrs. Edna R. Harris. The devotional was conducted by Mrs. L. R. Bishop of Erlanger. Prayer was offered by Mrs. W. Ross Yokley, after which the congregation joined in singing the "Woman's Hymn." Miss Bill Hughes gave the visitors a very hearty welcome to which Mrs. R. S. Green responded in a few words, Mrs. M. C. Hannah, who was to make the response, not being present.

The roll call of the societies was then taken up and most all of the societies in the association responded with good reports.

Reports of officers were given as follows:

Treasurer's Report

Balance in treasury Jan. 1, 1928	$17.43
Received for Field Work	42.00
Received for Associational Expenses	23.15
Contributed for Assistant to H. H. MacMillan	41.05
Total	$123.63

Disbursements

Check to Miss Hunter for Field Work	$50.00	
Check to Miss Lazenby, Asst. to Mr. McMillan	41.05	
Mrs. E. N. Gardner, Traveling Expenses	23.41	
Miss Lazenby, for Exp. Charlotte Div.	5.00	119.46
Balance Dec. 31, 1928		$ 4.17

Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, the Personal Service Chairman, gave her report which showed a large number of services of various kinds rendered: 25 religious services held, 75 boxes sent to the poor; 57 quarts of milk distributed; 424 visits to aged, shut-ins, sick and needy; 37 talks with unconverted; many flowers and floral designs sent; eighty-two dollars were given for furnishing groceries, fuel and so forth.

The report of the Mission Study chairman, Mrs. M. O. Alexander, showed that mission study was done in a number of the societies and that 198 seals were given.

The Superintendent's annual address was given by Mrs. Green, who took as her subject, "Trees," after which a vocal solo was rendered by Mrs. Chas. Stone, of Thomasville.

The following visitors were recognized and welcomed to the meeting: Mrs. Edna R. Harris, of Raleigh, the State Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. L. L. Henry, of Wadesboro, Superintendent of the Charlotte Division and Rev. W. Ross Yokley, pastor of the Tabernacle church with which the society held its meeting.

"Keeping Faith With Pledges to the Centennial Fund for Christian Education" was discussed by Miss Esther Newton. She stressed emphatically the need for Christian education and the support of our schools and colleges.

The congregation then sang, "I Have Heard Thy Voice."

An inspiring address was given by our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Edna R. Harris. Her subject was "The Four Looks."

The Superintendent called attention to our mission journals and Pastor Yokley spoke especially for the Biblical Recorder.

After the appointment of committees the meeting adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After re-assembling, the song "Fling Out the Banner" was sung by the congregation, after which Miss Mary Misenheimer, of Lexington, led the devotional, taking her scripture lesson from the 13th chapter of Numbers. Reports from the Junior societies were given.

The Young People's Program was conducted by Miss Mary Misenheimer at which time reports were given by two members of the Lexixngton Y. W. A. of the Young People's Conference at Ridgecrest. Also vocal and violin solos were given by members of the same society. Three other members gave descriptions of the mission magazines and urged subscriptions to them. The new Y. W. A. magazine, "The Window," was introduced.

Miss Lottie Olney, of the Orphanage society, gave a very comprehensive address on "The Cooperative Program and What It Includes."

Mrs. Lila L. Henry spoke on "Our Watchword" in a very impressive manner.

The reports of the committees were given as follows:

Nominations

Superintendent, Miss Sallie L. McCracken, Thomasville.
Assistant Superintendent, Mrs. R. S. Green, Thomasville.
Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Esther Newton, Thomasville.
Junior Superintendent, Miss Mary Misenheimer, Lexington.
Mission Study Leader, Mrs. W. J. Griffin, Winston-Salem Route 4.
Personal Service Chairman, Mrs. C. C. Pritchard, Thomasville.

The nominating committee was composed of Miss Roxie Sheets, Mrs. A. F. Warfford, Mrs. W. Ross Yokley, Mrs. C. L. Berrier and Mrs. R. L. Palmer.

Time and Place

The committee composed of Mrs. Alda Craver, Mrs. G. W. Miller and Mrs. Will Johnson decided on Holloways church and Thursday after the third Sunday in August for the 1930 meeting.

The courtesy committee which was composed of Miss Ida Swaim, Miss Lottie Olney and Mrs. Sallie Orrender reported as follows:

We, the members of the Liberty Associational W. M. U., ex-

press our hearty appreciation to the Tabernacle society for their many kindnesses and the delightful and abundant lunch which they served. Also we wish to express our appreciation of the beautiful floral decorations in the church. We wish also to extend our thanks to the pastor, Rev. W. Ross Yokley, for his interest and to Mrs. E. N. Gardner for her splendid leadership as our Superintendent and regret that she cannot remain with us. We also wish to express our thanks to Mrs. Edna R. Harris, our State Secretary for her presence and her helpfu lmessages.

The obituary committee composed of Mrs. W. B. Tucker, Mrs. Fannie Smith and Mrs. Lindsay Smith reported the death during the past year of Mrs. W. F. Thomason and Mrs. Mary Davis of Denton.

After a song the meeting was closed with sentence prayers.

B. Y. P. U.'s OF LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	The Young People's Work											
	Senior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Total Unions	Standard Unions	Seniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Systematic Givers in All Unions	Total Number Daily Bible Readers
Abbotts Creek	1			1		18			18		
Center Hill	1		1	2		18		15	33		5
Churchland	1		1	2		50		45	95	24	30
Denton	1	1	1	3		20	28	15	63	14	
Jersey		1	1	2			11	18	29	3	2
Lexington	1	1	2	4	1	29	31	47	107	36	20
Orphanage	3	3	3	9	9	55	71	74	200	125	151
Reeds	1		1	2		23		18	41		
Rich Fork	1			1		20			20		
Smith Grove	1		1	2		12		15	27		
Stoners Grove	1			1		18			18		
Tabernalce	1	1	1	3		18	35	15	68		
Thomasville	1	1	1	3	1	18	34	48	100		
Totals	14	8	13	35	11	299	210	310	819	202	208

WOMAN'S WORK OF LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION—1928

CHURCHES	Number of Woman's Missionary Societies	Number of Y. W. A.'s	Number of G. A.'s	Number of R. A.'s	Number of Sunbeams	Total W. M. N. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A's. Members	G. A.'s. Members	R. A's. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Members Enrolled	Total Enrolled in Mission Study Course	Total Gifts All Purposes
Abbotts Creek	1					1	9					9		$ 204.10
Center Hill	1					1	15					15		51.85
Churchland	1		1	1	1	4	10		17	13	28	68		74.30
Denton	1	1				2	10	10				20		118.95
Holloways	1		1		1	3	21		15		7	43	38	92.10
Jersey	1					1	14					14		128.30
Lexington	1	1	1		1	4	108	20	12		15	155		1887.76
New Friendship	1	1	1	1	1	5	13	8	7	6	15	49	6	175.70
*Orphanage	1				1	2					140	140	30	2108.92
Reeds	1				1	2	10					10	7	74.80
Rich Fork	1				1	2	22				20	42	20	100.61
Stoners Grove	1				1	2	18				12	30	28	77.94
Tbernacle	1					1	18					18		22.65
Thomasville	1	1	1		1	4	50	15	15		40	120	105	1459.82
Wallburg	1					1	18					18		144.80
Welcome	1													30.00
	16	4	5	2	8	35	336	53	66	19	277	751	234	6752.60

*Members not enrolled—open meeting for all

CHURCH PROPERTY OF LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Church Clerks and Postoffices	Does Your Church Own Its House of Worship?	When was it Built?	Materials Used	Persons Seated	Number of Rooms	How Many Dept. As'bly Ro.	How Many Separate Class Rooms?	Value of Church House and Grounds	Value of Pastors' Home	Total Value all Church Property	Indebtedness on All Church Property	Insurance Carried
Abbotts Creek	W. D. Spurgeon, High Point, Route 4	Yes	1926	Brick	$ 800	12	2	10	$ 25,400	$	$ 25,400	$	$
Center Hill	D. L. Tysinger, Lexington, Route 6	Yes	1908	Wood	400	1			4,300		4,300		
Churchland	W. Hence Beck, Linwood, Route 3	Yes	1919	Wood	500	9	1	8	10,000	3,500	13,500	1,400	2,000.00
Denton	A. L. Snider, Denton	Yes	1892	Wood	600	6	1	5	6,150	4,000	10,150		2,500.00
Gravel Hill	E. M. Russell, New Hope Academy	Yes	1900	Wood	300	1			600		600		
Holloways	G. C. Palmer, High Rock	Yes	1894	Wood	500	9	1	8	4,650	3,500	8,150		2,000.00
Jersey	R. A. Tate, Linwood, Route 2	Yes	1840	Brick	500	1			8,000		8 000		
Lexington	Sam J. Smith, Lexington	Yes	1911	Brick	600	22	4	18	87,000	11,000	98.000	4,000	15,000.00
Liberty	H. P. May, Cid, Route 1	Yes	1920	Wood	400	5	1	4	7,500		7,500		
Lick Creek	J. A. Kinney, High Rock	Yes	1902	Wood	300	1			5,000		5,000		
New Friendship	M. M. Smith, Winston-Salem	Yes	1890	Brick	400	14	2	12	12 000		12,000	1,500	
Oak Hill	Mrs. J. L. Welborn, Thomasville	Yes	1882	Wood	250	1			700		700		
Orphanage	W. L. Bowman, Thomasville	No	1912	Brick	700	1	Owned by Mills Home						
Reeds	I. A. Myers, Lexington Route 3	Yes	1907	Wood	350	9	2	7	4,500	3,000	7,500		
Rich Fork	G. T. Everhart, Thomasville, Route 3	Yes	1926	Brick	800	9	1	8	25,000		25,000	1,150	4,000.00
Smith Grove	Carl W. Young, Linwood, Route 1	Yes	1909	Wood	250	3	1	2	2,800		2,800		
Southside	N. A. Clodfelter, Thomasville	Yes	1919	Wood	300	3	1	2	2,000		2 000		1,000.00
Stoners Grove	Mrs. A. F. Wafford, Linwood, Route 2	Yes	1901	Wood	500	7	3	4	3,500	2,400	5,900		3,333.33
Summerville	Mrs. Essie Davis, High Rock	Yes	1914	Wood	500	1			2,000		2,000		
Tabernacle	Archie Hames, Erlanger	Yes	1923	Brick	450	4	1	3	8,000		8,000		4,000.00
Taylors Grove	Miss Grace Bailey, Tuckertown	Yes	1901	Wood	400	1			1.500		1,500		
Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	Yes	1911	Brick	500	23	3	21	65.000	8,000	73,000	13,600	80,500.00
Wallburg	J. E. Motsinger, Wallburg	Yes	1916	Brick	700	10	1	9	10,000		10,000		
Walters Grove	J. T. Pierce, Cid. N. C.	Yes	1913	Wood	250	1			800		800		
Welcome	C. S. Haynes, Welcome	Yes	1912	Wood	500	1			4,000	3,000	7,000		3,500.00
Westfield	R. A. Summey, Fullers	Yes	1916	Wood	500	1			2,500		2,500		
					12,250	155	25	121	$303,900	$ 38,400	$342,300	$ 21,500	$67,833.33

SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Is it a Village, Town, City or Country Church	SUPERINTENDENTS AND POSTOFFICES	Sunday School Enrollment											Special Information									
			Officers and Teachers	Beginners 3-5 Years	Primaries 6-8 Years	Juniors 9-12 Years	Intermediates 13-16 Years	Young People 17-24 Years	Adults 25 Years and Up	Cradle Roll Under 3 Years	Home Department	Total Enrollment	What is Your Average Attendance?	Is the School Graded?	Is it Standard A-1?	Teachers Holding Normal Diplomas	Baptisms from School	Gifts to Local Church Work	Gifts to Missions, Orphanage, etc.	Have you a Mission Sunday School?	Did you hold a Daily Vacation Bible School?
Abbotts Creek	Country	D. S. Hayworth, High Point	11	26	23	28	35	29	69			221	141	Yes	No	6	12	$ 227.41	$ 378.70	No	No
Center Hill	Country	Clifford Hunt, Lexington, R. 6	8	20	11	7	23		41	25		135	47	No	No		4	145.00	55.88	No	No
Churchland	Village	W. H. Lomax, Linwood, R. 3	17	29	28	34	39	61	65	28		291	125	Yes	No	17	25	153.97	52.56	No	No
Denton	Town	Chas. Lambeth, Denton	17	9	17	35	39	29	72			218	113	Yes	No	5	23	139.42	90.18	No	No
Gravel Hill	Country	Sam Scarlett, Lassiter	6	10		15	35		30			96	42	No	No			24.00	24.35	No	No
Holloways	Country	Otis Hedrick, High Rock	16	14	11	19	27		52	3		142	85	No	No	8	11	35.00	18.00	No	No
Jersey	Country	Reid Smith Linwood	10	21		28	15	41	32			147	75	No	No		2	56.09	32.80	No	No
Lexington	City	Dr. C. R. Sharpe, Lexington	64	40	63	91	101	207	178	57	10	811	402	Yes	No	8	13	758.60	1,517.80	No	No
Liberty	Country	O. F. Hughes, Thomasville, R. 3	7	15	16	18	19	25	20			120	65	No	No		7	45.47	5.04	No	No
Lick Creek	Country	J. A. Kinney, High Rock	11	8	14	12	11	10	7			73	38	No	No		2	12.10	14.78	No	No
New Friendship	Country	C. F. Motsinger, Winston R. 5																			
Oak Hill	Country	Has no Sunday School	16	20	12	17	15	39	42	17	8	186	94	Yes	No	13	6	318.21	221.90	No	No
Orphanage	City	R. D. Covington, Thomasville	60	27	114	171	136	41	8	15		572	512	Yes	Ye	46	27	161.46	372.48	No	No
Reeds	Country	I. A. Myers, Lexington, Route 3	14	36		31	31	50	67	11		240	150	No	No		11	102.00	84.56	No	No
Rich Fork	Country	T. H. Small, Thomasville	14	10	27	19	16	20	40	14		160	100	Yes	No	9	7	71.26	81.63	No	No
Smith Grove	Country	Carl W. Young. Linwood.	7	10	16	14	15	37	28			127	60	No	No		16	87.54	53.43	No	No
Southside	City	J. T. Scroggs, Thomasville	14	14	14	47	22	10	52			173	82	Yes	No	6		120.60	44.43	No	No
Stoners Grove	Village	L. E. Lookabill, Southmont	10	9	11	5	12	9	14			80	55	Yes	No	6	5	139.66	86.64	No	No
Summerville	Country	Robbins eBan, High Rock	10	39	21	21	40	21	20			172	45	No	No	5	4	6.00	11.11	No	No
Tabernacle	Village	W. H. Brown, Erlanger	21	25	51	49	40	50	175			411	200	Yes	No	2	40	214.55	96.30	No	No
Taylors Grove	Country	Has no Sunday School																			
Thomasville	City	J. R. Blair, Thomasville	36	46	96	118	74	54	145	57	98	718	318	Yes	No	18	28	788.08	879.62	No	No
Wallburg	Village	C. D. Dodson, Wallburg	11	6	15	16	15	55	26			144	70	No	No	9	9	167.00	75.00	No	No
Walters Grove	Country	Howard Hunt, Cid	5		18	6	20	20	12			81	52	No	No		2	10.00	10.00	No	No
Welcome	Village	Raymond Disher, Wallburg, R. 1	10	6	14	20	10	28	48	14		150	79	No	No		3	146.88	48.52	No	No
Westfield	Country		8	15	15	10	15	10	30			103	55	No	No		4	15.00	14.50	No	No
			403	455	607	831	805	846	1273	241	116	5571	3005			158	256	$3,945.30	$4,270.21		

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP, ETC., LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

CHURCHES	Is it in a Village, Town, City or Country?	When Constituted	PASTORS AND POST OFFICES	Days of Meeting	CHURCH MEMBERSHIP										Weekly Prayer Meetings	Revival Meetings Held	Observance of Lord's Supper	Families Receiving State Baptist Paper
					Members Reported Last Year	GAINS				LOSSES				Total Present Members				
						Baptisms	Letters	Statements	Restorations	Letters	Exclusions	Erasures	Deaths					
Abbotts Creek	Country	1833	E. F. Mumford, Wallburg, N. C.	1-3	206	15	4	2		1	2		6	218	No	1	4	6
Center Hill	Country	1907	H. T. Penry, Southmont, N. C.	1-3	155	29	3						2	185	No	1	1	5
Churchland	Village	1837	C. H. Foster, Linwood, N. C.	1-3	250	26	3	15		3		4	5	282	Yes	1	2	6
Denton	Town	1881	M. A. Adams, Denton, N. C.	*	241	28	4			7			2	264	Yes	1	1	4
Gravel Hill	Country	1900	P. D. Buck, Asheboro, N. C.	2	89		1			4		7	1	78	Yes	1	1	1
Holloways	Country	1830	H. T. Penry, Southmont, N. C.	2	209	12				1			3	217	No	1	2	8
Jersey	Country	1755	H. T. Penry, Southmont, N. C.	2-4	220	2	1			7				216	No	1	1	6
Lexington	City	1833	J. M. Hayes, Lexington, N. C.	*	778	14	43			30		41	6	758	Yes		4	40
Liberty	Country	1828	M. A. Adams, Denton, N. C.	3-4	147	7				1			1	152	No	1	1	10
Lick Creek	Country	1818	M. A. Adams, Denton, N. C.	1	97	2								99	No	1		3
New Friendship	Country	1833	J. R. Miller, Kernersville, N. C.	1-3	161	8	3						2	170	No	1	2	6
Oak Hill	Country	1882	M. O. Alexander, Thomasville, N. C.	1-3	27									27	No			6
Orphanage	City	1891	J. A. McMillan, Thomasville, N. C.	*	x376	27	19	2		33				391	No		3	24
Reeds	Village	1830	C. H. Foster, Linwood, N. C.	2-4	265	14	3			2		2	4	274	No	1	2	
Rich Fork	Country	1884	E. F. Mumford. Wallburg, N. C.	2-4	x211	8	1						1	218	No	1	2	2
Smith Grove	Country	1909	E. L. Bradley, Asheville, N. C.	1-3	89	19	3			1		8	1	101	Yes	1	2	3
Southside	City	1919	L. A. Connell, Thomasville, N. C.	*	101	5	8	1	1	4	5		2	105	Yes	2	3	5
Stoners Grove	Village	1900	H. T. Penry, Southmont, N. C.	*	102	5	4					26		85	No	1	1	8
Summerville	Country	1873	D. P. Morris, Norwood, N. C.	1	272	13				2	4		2	277	No	1	1	1
Tabernacle	Town	1914	W. R. Yokely, Erlanger, N. C.	*	275	50	19		6	37			1	312	Yes	2	4	1
Taylors Grove	Country	1901	R. L. West. Albemarle, N. C.	3	x16					5				11	No	1		1
Thomasville	City	1859	M. O. Alexander, Thomasville, N. C.	*	503	31	28			23		2	1	536	Yes	2	4	35
Wallburg	Village	1892	Ira D. Ferguson, Pilot Mountain, N. C.	2-4	178	11	1			12				178	No	1	4	10
Walters Grove	Country	1913	J. H. Hanes, Jamestown, N. C.	4	76	3								79	No			
Welcome	Village	1911	E. C. Roach, Jamestown, N. C.	1-3	88	4	4			4		1		92		1	1	4
Westfield	Country	1912	J. H. Hanes, Jamestown, N. C.	4	x97	6	4					4	2	101				
					5,229	340	156	1	26	177	11	95	42	5,426		24	51	193

GIFTS FOR LOCAL CHURCH WORK OF LIBERTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION AND BENEVOLENCES

CHURCHES	REGULAR TREASURERS AND POST OFFICES	Pastor's Salary	Other Salaries	Ministerial Help and Supply	Building and Repairs	Incidentals	Literature for Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. and W. M. S.	Help Given to Local Poor	For Printing the Minutes and Clerk of the Association	Other Objects	Total For Support Local Church Work	Church Gifts to Co-operative Program	Church Gifts to all Special Objects—Home and Foreign Missions, Etc.	Sunday School Gifts to Co-operative Program	Sunday School Gifts to all Special Objects—Home and Foreign Missions, Etc.	W. M. U. Gifts to Co-operative Program	W. M. U. Gifts to all Special Objects, Home and Foreign Missions, Etc.	Total All Missions, Educational and Benevolence	Grand Total All Gifts For All Purposes by Churches and All Departments	Tithers in Our Church	Tithers in Our Church Expenses For All Missions, Etc. Adopted	Budget for All Missions, Etc., Adopted	Pledged to Co-operative Program Next Year
Abbott's Creek	C. E. Spurgeon, High Point No. 4	$ 1,000.00		276.07	736.10	96.60	148.11	$	$ 6.00	$ 36.62	$ 2,299.50	224.91	876.45	$ 97.09	$ 607.91	$ 35.40	$ 236.20	$ 1,945.47	$ 4,244.97		No	No	$
Center Hill	R. B. Sheets, Lexington No. 6	313.42		36.85	2,100.00	18.00	39.51	5.01		14.30	2,527.08	62.86	60.00				253.32	508.67	3,136.76		No	No	
Churchland	L. E. Rickard, Linwood No. 1	750.00		110.00	14.95	144.69	156.94		6.00	250.00	1,432.58	44.68	61.90	153.97	52.56		21.00	334.11	1,766.69	15	No	No	
Denton	W. H. Snider, Denton	462.89		135.39	57.19	50.07	177.92	41.45	5.00	117.61	1,047.50	232.53			155.98	79.20	34.60	502.31	1,550.81		Yes	Yes	325.00
Gravel Hill	Mrs. Pallie Allred, Denton	180.00		50.00			24.00		2.00		256.00	10.35			24.35			34.70	290.70		No	No	
Holloways	D. R. Beanblossom, High Rock	400.00		48.60	150.00	35.00	3.50		5.00	19.00	661.10	95.75	59.00		18.00	53.60	20.00	246.35	907.45	4	Yes	No	
Jersey	W. L. Smith, Linwood	500.00		70.00		25.00	56.09		3.00	18.95	673.04	12.55	30.50		32.80		16.25	92.10	765.14		No	No	
Lexington	S. L. Owen, Lexington	3,600.00	1,037.00	108.00	250.00	978.61	450.00		25.00	2,796.57	9,245.18	1,076.37	2,223.58		1,517.80	1,000.00	294.53	6,112.28	15,357.46	15	Yes	Yes	2,320.00
Liberty	N. T. Kindley, Thomasville	250.00		69.92			45.47		4.00	2.50	371.89		27.23		13.04			40.27	412.16		No	No	75.06
Lick Creek	J. E. Skeen, High Rock	175.00		100.00		10.15	13.86	75.00	3.50		377.51				14.78			14.78	392.29		No	No	75.00
New Friendship	J. E. Griffin, Winston No. 4	600.00		80.00	903.84	71.00	63.88	10.00	5.00		1,733.72	70.76	25.00	91.80	158.67	36.80	146.77	529.80	2,263.52		No	No	200.00
Oak Hill	Miss Hattie Royals, Thomasville	31.25			31.08	8.00			2.00		72.33		21.30		32.36			53.66	125.99		No	No	
Orphanage	Miss Sallie McCracken, Thomasville	800.00		15.00			68.72		10.00	109.70	1,003.42	772.25	491.08	82.60	289.88	1,135.08	1,128.42	3,399.31	4,402.73		Yes	Yes	
Reeds	A. R. Craver, Lexington No. 3	600.00		80.00	87.90	133.87	83.37		5.00		1,000.14		65.87		186.56			252.43	1,252.57		No	No	
Rich Fork	T. H. Small, Thomasville No. 1	500.00		18.60	458.53	41.00	71.26		2.50	153.51	1,245.40	35.06		85.00	97.63	20.60	14.45	152.74	1,498.14		No	No	200.00
Smith Grove	J. R. Grubb, Spencer	383.00			800.00		34.11	20.50			1,239.61				53.43			53.43	1,291.04		No	No	
Southside	J. T. Scroggs, Thomasville	444.96		83.25		19.81	59.43	10.50	3.00	125.40	746.35	13.72			44.43			58.15	804.50				
Stoners' Grove	S. E. Wafford, Linwood No. 2	757.93		46.00	93.00	36.00	139.66	5.00	6.00	54.88	1,138.47	15.20	126.84		86.64	29.90	62.01	320.59	1,459.06	12	Yes	Yes	
Summerville	Essie Davis, High Rock	200.00		71.90		18.03	18.18		3.10	12.78	323.99	18.03	30.28		17.11			65.42	389.41		Yes		
Tabernacle	Miss Emmo Teague, Erlanger	2,080.00		120.00	187.67	36.20	50.00		4.00	714.55	2,692.42	41.35			96.30	45.65	83.00	266.30	2,958.72		Yes		
Taylor's Grove	Miss Grace Bailey, Tuckertown	75.00							1.00		76.00	8.00						8.00	84.00	1			
Thomasville	L. E. Teague, Thomasville	3,500.00	820.00	594.00		981.79	788.08	60.00	15.00	994.86	7,753.72	1,215.38			900.62		953.64	3,071.64	10,825.36	10	Yes	Yes	
Wallburg	C. C. Smith, Wallburg	500.00		66.35		123.48	33.00		5.00	134.00	861.83	141.57	239.50		75.00		272.30	728.37	1,590.20	2			
Walter's Grove	J. T. Pierce, Cid	100.00					10.00		1.00		111.00	2.70			10.00			12.70	123.70				
Welcome	E. S. Craver, Welcome	300.00		24.00	9.08	3.25	32.00		5.00	85.00	458.33		105.60		114.59			220.19	678.52	5			100.00
Westfield	J. C. Loftin, Fullers	225.00		35.00		5.00			3.00		268.00							268.00					
		$18,728.42	$1,857.00	$2,238.91	$5,879.34	$2,835.55	$2,577.09	$227.46	$129.10	$5,140.23	$39,614.10	$3,594.02	$4,444.13	$510.46	$4,600.44	$2,436.23	$3,538.49	$19,123.77	$58,737.87	64			$3,295.00